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## UK'S STAND ON HONG KONG

### Alexander's Visit Seen Underlining Defence Plan POLICY CRITICISED

London, June 4.

The flying visit to Hong Kong of the Defence Minister, Mr. A. V. Alexander, was believed here today to have a direct bearing on the British Government's future attitude toward Chinese national aspirations.

All Government departments concerned with Far Eastern affairs have been silent since his departure and the only official inference was that his visit to Hong Kong would underline the government's oft repeated determination to hold the Crown colony.

Another conclusion was that the government had decided that a co-ordinated defence plan for all of South East Asia is ranked among the most urgent requirements. There was considerable speculation here as to whether Mr. Alexander's tour of Commonwealth defence lines stretching from the Suez Canal zone to Hong Kong might be to determine whether the objective of holding Hong Kong can be accepted from a strictly military viewpoint.

Experienced Far Eastern observers were marshalling facts of the Hong Kong situation in search of a clue as to the British government's ultimate decision.

#### Critical Of Policy

1. They found that most of the service chiefs were critical of the government's policy of sending reinforcements to an area which is recognized as being untenable against forces commanding the land approaches.
2. Service commanders in Hong Kong have deprecated publicly given to the reinforcements, already sent to Hong Kong as being provocative to Chinese Communists.
3. There is sufficient evidence to show that the government is mainly concerned with counter-acting any disorders inside Hong Kong, which are considered almost inevitable as the Communist sweep into South China widens.

#### Alexander In Ceylon

Colombo, June 4.

Mr. A. V. Alexander, British Defence Minister, on his way to Hong Kong for defence talks, had a short meeting today with the Prime Minister of Ceylon, Mr. D. S. Senanayake.—Reuters.

Another factor to be considered by the British Government is the conviction expressed by British Far Eastern administrators that military plans not only for Hong Kong but for all South East Asia would be futile unless they are accompanied by economic and social plans.

#### North China Interests

Since the Communist occupation of Shanghai, official quarters here have significantly emphasized reports that the occupation of various areas in North China has been carried out in an orderly fashion by the Communists and that British interests are being encouraged to continue their activities.

Prime Minister Clement Attlee and other government leaders have several times reiterated their intention to give South East Asia colonial powers towards eventual independence. It was being speculated today whether this policy might eventually include Hong Kong.

It has been pointed out several times during Parliamentary debates that the population is 90 per cent Chinese. Far Eastern observers are convinced that the vast majority of these, including the realistic, wealthy and business faction, will in the future show as little sympathy towards the Communist regime in South China as they did toward Chiang Kai-shek's Kuomintang.

In the British Labour government ranks there are strong advocates of the policy of giving this Chinese majority a widening measure of self-government until such times as they are able to control the island and then decide for themselves whether they want to return to China. It is believed that with the Communist advance Southward the tendency to break away from Soviet influence will become stronger with the desire to reassert Chinese independence in all parts of Chinese territory. British government leaders have made it known that they do not intend to stand in the path of genuine nationalism anywhere in the British Commonwealth and Empire.

#### Defence Taken Seriously

The "Sunday Times" (Conservative) today commended the British Government's decision to send the Defence Minister, Mr. A. V. Alexander, to Hong Kong as evidence that the defence of the colony was being taken seriously, reports Reuters from London.

"We must look at Hong Kong in relation to South East Asia, where a bulwark against the Communist tide must be built if the strength won by the Western powers through the Atlantic pact is not to be largely nullified," said the "Sunday Times".

Dealing with the question of how Britain's policy of education for independence could be "squared" with the retention of Hong Kong, the "Sunday Times" said: "We cannot claim to be preparing the island for independence, but China must either remain British or revert to China."

"What we can say with perfect truth is that we are not exploiting Hong Kong at the expense of the Chinese. On the contrary, China has gained immensely from the wealth and prosperity we have brought to the island; a century ago it was a barren rock."

#### Guards On Parade



King George VI, wearing the bearskin and scarlet tunic of the full dress of the Welsh Guards, inspects men of the First Battalion of the Regiment, paraded in the grounds of Buckingham Palace, London. The King, who is Colonel-in-Chief of the Welsh Guards, presented new colours to the battalion. Only 200 of the 600-strong battalion were paraded as their is now insufficient scarlet to equip them all. The remainder, in battledress, were spectators at the ceremony.—(AP photo).

## Chinese Soldiers Hold Up Canton -- Kowloon Expresses

Chinese soldiers, armed with machine guns and rifles, held up two Canton-Kowloon express trains yesterday with the intention of assaulting railway workers on the train.

The incident occurred at Shek Tan, 35 miles from Canton, and passengers who reached Hong Kong nearly four hours late, said they heard shots fired. There were, however, no casualties.

The first express for Canton was also delayed by Chinese soldiers who refused to pay fares at the terminus. The two afternoon express trains were last night still at the Canton terminus apparently delayed pending settlement of the trouble at Shek Tan.

The "China Mail" learned last night that the trouble originated a few days ago when soldiers attempting to travel without paying their fares were ordered off the train by railway personnel.

Reeking revenge, the soldiers assembled at Shek Tan yesterday morning and held up the two morning expresses from the Kowloon terminus.

Apparently realising the motive of the hold up, railway personnel who clashed with the soldiers earlier in the week, discarded their uniforms and mingled with the passengers. Thus they escaped detection.

Shots fired by the soldiers sent most of the passengers under the seats for cover. Unable to find the men they were after, the soldiers fired shots and cursed and threatened to shoot them should they interfere with the travelling again. The train was then allowed to continue its journey to Kowloon.

The last two trains, expected to reach the Colony at 7.30 p.m. on Monday, were also delayed.

#### CZECHS VANISH

Stockholm, June 5.

The Czech Legation in Stockholm admitted today that three of its employees had disappeared but refused comment. The three were Wilhelm Zelensky, Gabriel Hilarovsky, and Xaviera Hrabikova.

Zelensky was recently ordered back to Czechoslovakia. He was due to leave Stockholm by air on Tuesday, informed sources said, but did not use his ticket.—Associated Press.

#### Opera Star Murdered In Shanghai

Shanghai, June 5.

Readers of the Chinese press forgot the occupation changes temporarily today and became absorbed in a sensational murder case involving the famous Peking opera star, Miss Soong Sheng-ping, who is alleged to have been stabbed by her fiancé in a bath-tub in his home in a fashionable foreign style apartment building in the heart of the city.

The pretty singer's fiancé, Yau Tuo-sung, university student, was reported by the Chinese press to have given himself up to the police and to have confessed that he stabbed her to death as she was taking a bath. The motive for the crime was not known, but it was assumed to be the result of a jealous quarrel.

Miss Soong's two brothers and also her father, opera stars and the three made frequent appearances in the same theatre.—United Press.

## LARGE SCALE HOUSING PLAN FOR HONG KONG

A large-scale housing project envisaging at least 4,000 small bungalows by the end of the year, to be rented out to house-starved residents, has been submitted to Government for final approval, the "China Mail" learned yesterday.

The official approval will probably be forthcoming this week, sources close to the planners indicated last night.

It will be the first project of its kind ever to be undertaken in Hong Kong in collaboration with Government.

The bungalows will built primarily for Chinese families. The scheme's main object is to help solve the four-year-old housing shortage problem.

## Chinese Ships In Jap Waters

Tokyo, June 5.

The United States Air Force sent a search plane over Japan's Inland Sea from Itami air base near Osaka this afternoon to clear up rumours about a fleet of Chinese Nationalist ships reported in Japanese waters.

The pilot returned at 5.30 p.m. but refused to disclose what he had seen stating he was required to report his observations to the Air Force authorities. Results of the search are not likely to be available until Monday morning.

The mystery of the Chinese ships reached the "Flying saucers" stage today with a deluge of conflicting reports reached Tokyo. Fleets of ships were reported South of Kyushu, in the Inland Sea near Osaka and farther South near Shimotsuki Straits. All were denied by responsible authorities but new reports from the Japanese press continued to flow into Tokyo.

#### Rumours Unfounded

The rumours of the presence of Chinese vessels, loaded with defeated troops or fleeing sailors, early this morning from Shanghai, were proved to be unfounded when they were tracked down to their Japanese sources today, says Reuters.

That fact did not prevent the stories from circulating widely in Tokyo today to get top play in the feature pages of Japanese newspapers.

American Army officials said that they had heard reports of an LST (one LST, according to the rumours, was one of the ships in the 20-vessel convoy which were variously sighted off Okinawa and in the Inland Sea, moving towards Osaka) in the Inland Sea, but knew nothing more.

Japanese officials said that they had heard all sorts of reports but knew nothing concrete.

The rumours have been circulating for the past week, but no credence was given to the story until the arrival in Kurehama, near Yokohama, last night of a vessel with a Chinese name.

Japanese reports said the water police were ordered to keep away from the vessel. United States Army sources later identified the vessel as a banana ship from Taiwan.

A spokesman of the China Mission here denied having any knowledge of any such group arriving in Japan, and pointed out that the local haven for such vessels would be Taiwan instead of Japan.—United Press and Reuters.

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## Mail From Shanghai In Tjibadak

Shanghai, June 5.

The Dutch steamer Tjibadak the first foreign ship to enter Communist-controlled Shanghai will leave port this afternoon with about 400 Chinese passengers, cargo and mail for Hong Kong.

The vessel docked at the British-owned Shanghai and How Wharf about half a mile from the Bund last night. Several Customs Inspectors, accompanied by two officers of the People's Liberation Army, boarded the ship.

The two military officers boarded the ship after 20 minutes.

Only officials of the Java-China Borneo Shipping Company were permitted aboard the vessel.

Two soldiers and a few policemen guarded the entrance to the wharf which only authorised persons were permitted to enter.

Pending the promulgation of travel regulations governing the movement of foreigners, the ship was accepted for the time being. However, the General Post Office is accepting and will continue to accept ordinary mail for the ship.

More than 300 bags of mail, taken by the Tjibadak, were learned.

#### Foreigners Must Wait

At present only Chinese passengers can leave and travel requirements for them are the same as before, reports United Press. Foreigners would have to wait new regulations are drawn up, which are expected shortly.

Two American President ships, the President Madison and the President Jackson, are expected to enter the harbour in the next few days.

Meanwhile, airline officials hoped that the Communist authorities would soon permit resumption of air service. American airline officials said some development might place in the coming week. Civil airlines likewise are permitted to resume flights when permission is granted.—Reuters and United Press.

#### HARBOUR FIRE

A fire which lasted about an hour broke out on the deck of the ss. Dong Nai shortly after 1 p.m. yesterday.

The ship was under repair at No. 1 dry dock of the Kowloon and Hungshing Dockyard. A quantity of wool was burnt.

Four fire appliances and a float were sent to the scene. There were no casualties reported.



## YEN HSI-SHAN BACK IN CANTON

Canton, June 5.

Marshal Yen Hsi-shan returned to Canton from Taiwan this afternoon when his appointment as Premier of Nationalist China was confirmed by the Legislative Yuan.

Marshal Yen visited Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and consulted him on currency reforms and South China defence.

Marshal Yen, immediately on his arrival, held a series of meetings with senior Kuomintang officials. The new Cabinet is expected to be formed within the next few days.

According to one informed source, the Yen Cabinet will eventually be controlled by the right wing bloc, and it was reported that either Mr. Ku Chen-kang or Dr. Chen Hsin-will be appointed Deputy Premier.

The same source also claimed that a number of portfolios will be given to members or supporters of Dr. Chen Li-fu's group.

The local press reported today that Dr. H. H. Kung has been offered the Ministry of Finance but it is believed Dr. Kung will decline the post.

General Hwang Jen-ling, Vice-Commander of the Combined Services Headquarters, arrived here today from Taiwan.

#### Chiang Expected

General Hwang has been associated with travel plans of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek for some years and his presence in Canton is taken as an indication of the early arrival of the Generalissimo in this city.

Reports are current that the Generalissimo is expected here within the next few days to assume his office as head of the Kuomintang. However, it is believed that he will take no part in the Government, and will support Acting President Li Tsung-jen to implement his Presidential powers.

A full continues on the South China front to the North of Chongqing, but there are considerable Communist troop movements on the sector to the East of the Chekiang-Kiangsi and Shensi-Hangchow railways, a military source said today.

These troop movements indicate that the Communists will drive along the Chekiang-Kiangsi railway to attack Chuchow, an important railway junction, 35 miles South East of Changsha.

The complete liberation of Kiangsu province was claimed today by the official "Liberation Daily" which announced the capture of the last two Nationalist provincial strong-points, Tunghsing and Kwangsha islands, at the mouth of the Yangtze, reports Reuters from Shanghai.

The islands' garrisons numbering more than 3,000 surrendered without a fight.

The multi-millionaire, Mr. Tan Kah-kee, and more than a dozen other overseas leaders arrived in Peking yesterday afternoon after landing in Tientsin from a British ship.

In a statement to the press, Mr. Tan, who is head of the Malayan Chinese Welfare Committee, accused the British and the Dutch authorities of oppressing Chinese residents in their South East Asia territories.

#### The Weather

At 0600 GMT (8 p.m. HKST) no information has been received from China. The trough appears to have weakened over the Eastern Sea but the depressions over Tonking and S. of Japan persist. A broad and rather weak ridge of high pressure has spread Southwards over Japan and the neighbouring seas. Pressure continues fairly high E. of the Philippines.

Today's Forecast—Moderate S. winds. Mainly fair, but brief showers chiefly during the morning. Cloudy, warm.

Yesterday's Weather—

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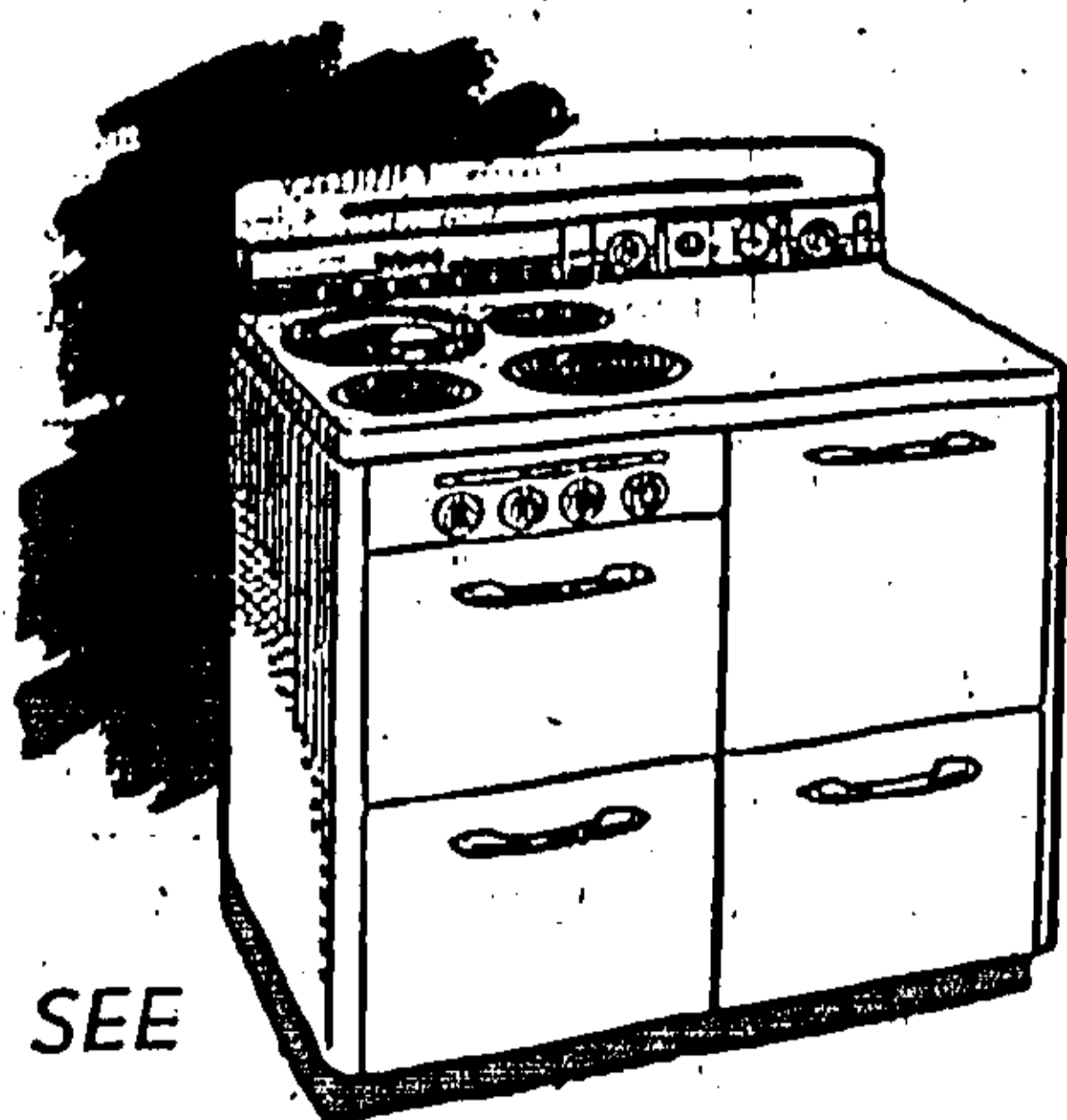
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## Shooting Aboard ss. Lok Sang

A village chieftain from Anhwei Province was killed instantaneously and a former Chinese GI seriously wounded when a tommy gun was accidentally fired aboard the ss. Lok Sang when she was off Swatow on Saturday morning en route to Hong Kong.

There were 300 passengers on the British steamer, including 100 former Nationalist soldiers, who disembarked here yesterday under Police supervision.

According to eye-witnesses aboard the Lok Sang passengers' tickets were being checked when they became unruly.

The trigger of a tommy-gun was accidentally pulled and the bullet hit a steel plate on the hull first before piercing the GI in the chest and killing the chieftain.

The Lok Sang reached the Colony at 2 a.m. yesterday and the wounded man was taken to hospital, where his condition is reported to be "not critical."

The dead passenger was taken to the morgue.

Hong Kong Police are meanwhile investigating the incident. Several soldiers were taken for interrogation. Police investigation aboard the ship was completed at noon yesterday.

The soldiers, remains of several Nationalist armies, boarded the Lok Sang at Foochow. Many paid their passage, the ship's commander personnel said.

Several of them are wounded. Some have to depend on crutches. Most of them travelled alone.

The soldiers surrendered their arms when they embarked.

## Saved At Last Minute

Brussels, June 4. A last-minute joint declaration by five Belgian trillors executed today at a disused aerodrome at Nivelles, near here, saved a sixth man from the firing squad.

He was Joseph Simar and the joint declaration by his five companions was rushed to the Belgian judicial authorities in Brussels.

A stay of execution, issued by the Minister of Justice, was received in Nivelles only an hour or so before he was due to go before a firing squad.

Together with the five executed men, Simar had been found guilty of aiding the Germans in the massacre of Belgian resistance workers shortly before the liberation of their country.—Reuter.

## GRAVE CHARGE IN PARIS

Paris, June 4. Sixteen men have been charged in Paris with activities relating to the demobilization of the army after security police last night discovered arms in two cars heading for Paris.

They include two Councilors of General Charles de Gaulle's Rally of the French People.

The charges have been brought under an article dealing with State security and can carry the death penalty.

Five of the men were charged last night. Eleven more were formally charged today.

Two detained with the others last night were discharged.—Reuter.

## RUSSIAN ORDER DEFIED

Vienna, June 4. Herr Oskar Holmer, Austrian Socialist Minister of the Interior, in a written parliamentary reply today defied a Soviet order that all political refugees from "people's democracies" must be returned to their homelands should they seek asylum here.

He wrote: "I have instructed the Austrian police, fully realising the implications of such a step, to grant asylum in Austria to all persons, crossing the Austrian frontier legally or illegally, to escape persecution based on their political opinions."—Reuter.

## JOHANNES TEA PARTY

More than 70 Johannes attended the tea party given by the Rev. Gilbert Baker, Chaplain of the American-supplied St. John's University at the Cathedral Hall yesterday.

The Rev. Mr. Baker who arrived in the Colony about a month ago shortly before the fall of Shanghai is taking a "fruitful" attitude. He hopes that he will be able to go back to Shanghai in September.

The Rev. Mr. Baker came to the Colony from England in 1944. During the war he was in training.

He joined St. John's University in 1947.

Managers, June 4. A council for Field Marshal Sir John Dill, who has been in the Colony since the war, has been set up. The council will be responsible for the Field Marshal's household and will also be responsible for his personal affairs.



Wedding at Rosary Church, Kowloon, on Saturday of Mr. Edward Mathew Alarcon and Miss Alma Maria de Silva. China Mail Photo.

## Commodity Prices Soar In Shanghai

Shanghai, June 5. Shanghai's 6,000,000 populace are beset by now worries over the financial situation as the prices of essentials continue rising. Bread, for instance, went up 80 per cent this morning. Silver dollar prices are fluctuating wildly, with the city's thousands of silver coin peddlers constantly changing their quotations. A few days ago these street exchangers were willing to give 14 silver dollars for US\$10 but yesterday they quoted only eight for US\$10.

Observers think that this sharp decline due in part to hedging operations following the regulation calling in all foreign currencies which started a rush for silver coins and gold bars. The latter now command the price of about US\$50 per ounce.

Apart from the intricacies of the local exchange market there is the fact that the quantity of imported articles and raw materials have become scarcer which development has also been instrumental in pressing prices into higher ground.

No comment has hitherto been available from leading business circles on the new currency regulation. When approached they all said they will rather wait and see.

Shanghai, under new management, is in the throes of a commercial revival effort. Some progress is visible, but monumental handicaps were left by the retreating Nationalists, including the near-stripping of the port of postwar and river ships and cleaning it out of foreign exchange as well as commodities that would bring foreign exchange.

Compensatory measures, generally agreed and complementary to the new regime, who, they say, approach the job with the realization of its difficulties and with obvious early effort to eliminate the corrupt practices which of late years have made Shanghai a difficult place in do business strictly on a honest, above-board manner.

The vast flotilla of small coasters running from a few hundred to 3,000-ton steamers which carried China's import trade, were taken away by the Nationalists and until they can be brought back a big volume of coastal business, on which the port lived largely the last three years, cannot be reclaimed.

Yet the new regime is doing its best. The plans are crowded with power, junkies and almost small craft, which are trying to carry on with at least a part of this vital traffic.

The new regime is also at grips with the job of trying to keep Shanghai's myriad cotton weavers and textile mills running, many of which the new Government itself now owns, since they were the property of the Nationalist Government or of the big four families.

This industry is Shanghai's largest next to shipping. Small textile businesses of long staple cotton, are believed to be only sufficient to keep the mills going a few weeks, and this type of cotton is necessary to produce yarn and piece-goods, which can be sold abroad for needed foreign exchange.

It will be extremely difficult to obtain new supplies. The Nationalist Government could never have done it except for ECA.

Some leaders say the Communist authorities have substantial cotton funds and money which will sell for foreign exchange and will help to obtain more cotton.

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## SHANGHAI REFUGEES WANT TO GO HOME

Now that the tide of the Chinese civil war has passed Shanghai, many Shanghaierlanders are considering returning home. When the ss. Shengking left for Shanghai on Saturday with a full load of passengers returning to the Chinese metropolis, it was indicated that many Northern refugees have made up their minds to leave the Colony.

Apart from the Shanghaierlanders, other Northern Chinese are also planning to return to their homes in Tientsin or elsewhere in North China.

Hence many local inhabitants believe that houses in the Colony may be easier to get in the near future.

Factories Moving  
According to the local "Sing Tao Evening Post," many refugee factories are among those planning to shift back to China.

The paper stated that the Northern manufacturers consider Hong Kong as their "typhoon shelter" in time of danger.

Furthermore, these manufacturers consider that wages in the Colony are much higher than in China.

At present among the majority of factories planning to return to China are spinning and weaving mills, enamel factories and rubber factories.

## GALLANTRY OF CONVICT

Ossining, N.Y., June 4. A prisoner at Sing Sing who shared the cancerous blood of a dying eight-year-old girl waited today to see whether he had helped find a cure for leukemia.

Dr. Charles Sweet, chief prison physician, said the unnamed convict let the blood of the child circulate through his body for 20 hours during the past week, in an experiment conducted at Ossining Hospital. The name of the child was not divulged.

Dr. Sweet said the convict volunteered for the transfusion in the knowledge that he might contract the disease, which is one of the most deadly forms of cancer. He was offered no reward for taking the risk.—United Press.

## PAUL ROBESON IN MOSCOW

Moscow, June 4. Paul Robeson, well-known Negro singer, arrived in Moscow by air today for the celebrations of the 150th anniversary of the birth of the Russian poet, Pushkin.—Reuter.

Most traders think the Reds will have to look to the United States for a continuing supply of cotton.

## Currency Deals

The Communist money slipped about 300 points in terms of Unites States dollars to about 1,000 to one on June 4, but recovered somewhat later.

The order forbidding private dealing in foreign exchange, which contained no deadline, date, apparently is not in effect yet.

The streets are wholly jammed with hawkers trading Communist money for pre-war silver dollars or for foreign currency and you can buy and sell U.S. greenbacks anywhere.

Whether the Reds will stop this free dealing in money, time alone can tell, but no other regime has been able to stop it during inflation.

Most business elements say it depends whether they can keep their own money at a firm level which, with the war still on their hands, is a terrible undertaking.—Reuter and Associated Press.

## NEW PRIMATE OF GREECE

Athens, June 4. The Athens news agency said tonight that the Archbishop of Ypsilanti, Spiridon Vlahos, who was today elected Primate of Greece, was sentenced to death by default during the occupation by the Italians in Northern Spiros.

The Germans kept him constantly on the alert, it added.

The agency said the new Primate of Greece gave invaluable assistance to the resistance movement led by General Napoleon Zervas. It was stated tonight that the Primate will officially be enthroned after the publication of the Royal decree announcing his nomination.—Reuter.

## ANGLO-FRENCH TELEVISION

Paris, June 5. Eventual exchange of direct television programmes across the Channel between Britain and France is predicted by Norman Collins, a British television head.

He told a news conference that a liaison committee of British and French television experts has been created and will sit alternately in London and Paris.—Associated Press.

## EX-NAVY MAN A TOREADOR

London, June 5. Vincent, Duke of Marlborough, a former naval officer, was today named as the first bull fight in London.

Expected to be the first bull fight in London since the war, the event will be held at the Royal Albert Hall.



CAPTAIN SHAW. ("China Mail" Photo)

## ss. President Harrison's First Visit

Sailing into the Colony's harbour for the first time, the "APL" cargo freighter President Harrison arrived here yesterday with 1,500 tons of general cargo.

Built in 1942 at the Western Pipe and Steel Factory, San Francisco, the C-3 freighter saw numerous actions during the last war in South Pacific waters.

Prior to her ownership by the APL, the 8,000-ton ship was formerly the USS Callaway.

In 1944 while serving as a troop ship in South Pacific she was dive-bombed by a dozen Japanese bombers sustaining heavy damage on her upper decks.

Several sailors were killed while manning radar equipment near her funnel.

After the war she was bought by her present owners and refitted.

She now has four comfortable cabins for 12 passengers and a spacious lounge.

Commanded by Captain M. Shaw, a former U.S. Navy officer, the new freighter has all the modern equipment for navigation.

Captain Shaw took over the command of the freighter in April 1949, at Alabama. Since then he has taken the ship to numerous ports along the Pacific coast and the South Seas Islands.

The 40-year-old captain started his seafaring life some 22 years ago and in 1940 he was commissioned in the United States Navy.

During the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour he was serving as a junior officer on board an aircraft carrier.

Born in Berkeley, California, Captain Shaw earned his first mastership on board the ss. Pan American Victory in 1947. The following year he became the master of the ss. President Grant and later the skipper of the ss. Manito.

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**Increasing American Interest In Taiwan**

Washington, June 4.

The question of Taiwan is receiving increasing attention here among official and unofficial sources.

They are of the opinion that it will not take the Communists long to conquer Taiwan once they gain control of all the China coast.

For that reason, they are impressed with the necessity for an urgent decision on what may be done to keep this prize from Red armies.

Strategically, Taiwan would provide one of the key points in the "cardinal" against the Communists in Asia, which the Anglo-Americans now envisage as running Southward from Japan through Taiwan and the Philippines, thence Westward through Indo-China, Siam and India.

The complication in the situation arises from the fact that Taiwan was promised to China in the Cairo Declaration early in 1945 and, after Japan surrendered, turned over to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's government for de facto administration with the understanding that Chinese legal rights would be ratified at Japan's peace conference.

Meanwhile, the retreating Nationalists in China have made it the repository of some of their "last ditch" forces. Some 250,000 troops of Chiang Kai-shek's armies have been sent there, almost all that remains of the Nationalist Air Force is based there and considerable amounts of war supplies and munitions are stored in Taiwan.

One matter considered to be in relation to Taiwan is what legal basis, the British, Americans and other democratic allies would have to suspend the Cairo Declaration for the time being in order to make Taiwan some sort of an international security zone instead of Chinese-administered territory.

**Possible Moves**

Diplomatic observers consider that such a step probably could be justified if Chiang Kai-shek loses all of China, on the grounds that the regime under whose administration Taiwan has been placed in trust no longer constitutes an effective government.

However, having resolved the legal position, the British and Americans still would be faced with practical steps to implement their decision. Among the possibilities which have been advanced are the following:

1. They could ask the United Nations for strategic trusteeship over Taiwan. However, this course is almost certain not to be adopted because of the feeling that the Communists would have taken over Taiwan long before the United Nations could ever reach a decision.

2. The Anglo-Americans might attempt to persuade Chiang Kai-shek to relinquish his control of Taiwan to them to be held in trust pending a clarification of the Asian situation and offering him political asylum there if he wishes.

However, those officials who have dealt with Generalissimo Chiang in the past consider that he would be most unlikely to agree to this action.

3. The United States and Britain might simply declare that the collapse of the Chinese Nationalist Government, if and when this occurs, renders Taiwan an "orphan" with no protector and declare their intention as signatories to the Cairo Declaration of moving in to administer the island in trust until a peace treaty.

**Most Difficult**

However, officials admit that a move to establish military forces on Taiwan probably would be met by Chinese resistance and somebody would get hurt.

It is felt that this could leave the United States and Britain in a bad position at the bar of public opinion and make it possible for them to be criticized for action similar to that of which they in the past accused Russia in various areas.

Political and diplomatic observers here concede that this problem is one of the most difficult

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Through Numbers (22 Races—\$4.00) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurers, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the last race of the second day. Tickets in the Special Cash Sweep on the last race of the second day may be purchased also at the Club's Branch Office, No. 382, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

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Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

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The Treasurers' Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m. the First Day and at 9.30 a.m. on the Second Day. The Secretary's Office will close at 11.45 a.m. the First Day and at 10 a.m. on the Second Day. Both Offices at 1st floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

**NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.**

**PUBLIC ENCLOSURE**

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, Tio Tao men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

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**SAQJ9**  
H None  
DKQJ32  
CKQ85

**SK106**  
H 107  
D 107  
C J3

**WE**  
S 54  
HAKJ8  
543  
D 6  
CA7

**S873**  
H93  
D874  
C109042

(Dealer: East. Both sides vulnerable.)

East South West North  
1 H Pass 2 H Dbl  
4 H Pass Pass Dbl  
Robt

N. M. Nielsen, head of the national bridge association of Norway, gave a perfect example of expert technique on this deal in a social rubber game recently while visiting New York. After having the courage to redouble,

he won the lead of the heart 9 with the A, cleared trumps in another round, then proceeded to build up his endplay situation. He gave up the first diamond trick to North, who returned another diamond to the A. The diamond 10 was then ruffed to eliminate that suit. Next, the club A was laid down and the 7 led to the J, which proved to be quite an important card: If South had been able to top it, he could have returned a spade through the K. But the doubles by North had marked him as probably obliged to win this trick, which he did with the Q. New North could do nothing except return a minor suit card to be ruffed in dummy while Mr. Nielsen discarded a spade from his own hand, or else lead a spade, which would make the K a sure trick-taker. Quite plainly, this end-play would not have been possible in a No Trump contract, but was ideally suited to the trump declaration.

**Tomorrow's Problem**

SAK43  
HQ109  
DJ108  
CQ43

S975  
H22  
DQ953  
CAKJ

SKQJ  
108  
WEHAK5  
D74  
C987

S2  
HJ8743  
DAK82  
C1065

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**Across**

1 Brought about. 15 Sell. 2 Coral island. vote. 7 Improver. 16 Narrow. 3 Colloquial. 17 Mother-of-pearl. 9 Sent. 20 Faction. 4 Substituted. 18 Soup con-tainer. 10 Young ani-mal. 24 Reward. 5 Sancti-on. 21 Custom-er. 8 Suppose. 22 Residence. 12 Anchor. 23 Tale of 13 Blockhead. 24 Sweller. 14 Choosing by

**Down**

1 Phrase. 2 Case. 3 Ordinal. 4 Spate. 5 Hole. 6 Savage. 7 Friend. 8 Slew. 9 Dene. 10 Erie. 11 Entrail. 12 Bull. 13 Comic. 14 Polito. 15 Unge. 16 Alga.

**Saturday's Crossword**

**ACROSS:** 1 Phrase. 2 Case. 3 Ordinal. 4 Spate. 5 Hole. 6 Savage. 7 Friend. 8 Slew. 9 Dene. 10 Erie. 11 Entrail. 12 Bull. 13 Comic. 14 Polito. 15 Unge. 16 Alga.

**DOWN:** 1 Protrude. 2 Re-dolent. 3 Sham. 4 Enphasia. 5 Battle. 6 Cadet. 7 Entering. 8 Sneeze. 9 Glimming. 10 Sweller. 11 Envoy. 12 Roll.

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## BRITISH LABOUR UNREST

London, June 4. Hopes of settling the "every Sunday" railway strike in North and North East England in time for this week-end's Whit Sunday holiday-makers were finally dashed today when leaders decided to continue their strike at midnight to-night, for the third consecutive Sunday.

Strikers' delegates met at York to discuss the dispute, begun when new schedules were introduced compelling engine crews to spend nights away from home. After the three-hour meeting, the Chairman announced: "To-night's strike is definitely on. We have re-affirmed our decision to strike on Sundays until the railway executive gives us some indication that they will revert to the position before the new lodging turns were introduced on May 23 and to resume negotiations from there."

The delegates will meet again in York next Thursday, he said. Hundreds of Whit Sunday travellers, knowing tomorrow's traffic was uncertain, left early from King's Cross, London terminus for the North East.

Before the railwaymen's decision was known, British Railways had already cancelled 28 holiday trains, due to run tomorrow. The "no slow policy" enforced at a number of railway depots this week as a protest against the delays in awarding wage increases of 10 shillings per head weekly, continued today despite an appeal by trade union leaders to the men to resume normal work.—Reuter.

## GUN BATTLE IN BERLIN

Berlin, June 5. Soviet sector German police to-night captured a father, mother and 18-year-old son after a gun battle in a Berlin flat.

The family were part of a gang wanted by the police and police headquarters said a "veritable arsenal" of small-arms were found in the flat.

Seven other members of the gang were arrested later. When the police first approached the House the father and son shot at them from a first storey window.—Reuter.

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Blackpool, June 4.

The Labour Party, jolted by setbacks in recent local elections, opens its annual conference here on Monday.

It will approve a platform for its fight to retain control of the Government in next year's general elections.

Organisers and delegates streamed into Blackpool aware that the next 12 months will be a crucial period for the Labour machine which was swept into power in 1945.

After three years of unbroken electoral successes, the Socialist movement ran into two bitter defeats in local elections in the past few months. Some party leaders profess to see nothing significant in the setbacks, but others are worried that Mr. Winston Churchill's hard-fighting Conservatives are winning back important ground.

The conference this year, in the view of these leaders, must impress the nation with the necessity and vitality of the Labour cause, and must win even wider support for its policy of nationalisation of industry and expanded social services.

Thus, there are reports that the Labour Party platform for the period 1950-1955 may be forced to a vote.

The present plan is to stage a two-day debate on its contents and use the arguments presented to modify it if the party executive considers this necessary.

Some Labour delegates feel that any changes should be made on the spot.

## Better Wages

The platform was embodied in a booklet "Labour Believes in Britain," which was published early in April.

One of its themes is that "Britain cannot trust the Tories." Its major sections call for:

1. A drive to increase production;  
2. A work-for-all programme;  
3. Nationalisation of industrial insurance, the cement and sugar industries;

4. Encouragement for private enterprise, including a scientific council to assist industry;  
5. Better wages, technical aid and assistance to rural England;

6. Continuation of the drive for increased social services. The booklet boasts that before the war there were 11,000 people who had incomes over £5,000 a year after taxes. Now the figure is only 250.—United Press.

## FEATURES OF NEW CARRIER

Sydney, June 4. Specially insulated armour to counteract the effects of atom-bombing and protect crews against radio-activity will be among the features of HMAS Melbourne, Australia's second aircraft carrier being built in Britain, according to the "Sydney Sunday Herald" today.

The newspaper said that other features of the carrier—to cost about A£7,000,000, will include radar devices to chart the course of hostile ships and aircraft from greater distances and with greater accuracy than hitherto thought possible.

A direction-finding beam will also be installed to detect and follow the movements of submarines. New gunnery control devices will allow rapid, accurate and concentrated fire on invisible targets. The carrier is expected to be ready in 1952.—Reuter.

Paris, June 4.

The Lorraine descendants of Mathias Siebert, who emigrated to America in 1872 and died there 12 years ago leaving \$700,000,000 to be divided among his family, have learned that another expatriate, the brother of Mathias, has just died in America, bequeathing \$420,000,000.—Reuter.

## Resolution Against Conscription

B Salisbury, June 4. The National League of Young Liberals approved at its annual conference here today a resolution calling for the abolition of compulsory military service in Britain.

The resolution declared the failure of conscription is self-evident. It also called for substantial improvement of long-term volunteers. The conference voted proposals for a 15 per cent increase in pay for all Service ranks, equal pay for Service women, and for an immediate improvement in barracks and barrack equipment.—Reuter.

## NO STANDING WITH THE GIRLS

Douglas, Isle of Man, June 5. Explaining difficulties in recruiting British men for scavenging jobs, Burroughs' Deputy City Engineer, Mr. D. G. Bevan, told a municipal engineers' conference here: "To be a scavenger, a garbage can emptier or a sewer cleaner does not give a man any standing with his lady friends."—Reuter.

## ACTRESS WAS WED SECRETLY

London, June 5. The veteran actor, Oscar Homolka, and the actress, Joan Tetzel, left on Saturday for a honeymoon trip to an undisclosed part of England.

Their marriage in New York a few hours before boarding the liner Queen Elizabeth was disclosed by Miss Tetzel in a transatlantic broadcast on Friday night. The ship left New York on May 29 and arrived in Southampton on Friday. Homolka is 50, Tetzel 27. Both played in the Broadway run of the play "I Remember Mama."—Associated Press.

## ITALIAN LABOUR WAR CONTINUES

Rome, June 4.

Italy's labour war continued today with one-day general strikes in two Northern centres, Forli and Rimini.

The strike of 1,500,000 farm workers entered its 18th day while Government officials strove hard to prevent a threatened national walk-out of 500,000 building workers.

The Northern one-day strikes were in protest against the serious injury of a woman picket yesterday at Forli, where workers, attempting to return to a strike-bound engineering shop, clashed with pickets.

Scattered incidents still marked the farm workers' strike for national wage agreements which has, so far, have cost the lives of three people and injuries to about 200 others in clashes between strikers and non-strikers.

No strike has yet been called in the building trade but the National Builders Federation threatened on Thursday to renew the agitation province by province, beginning today, if outstanding problems (wages) are not settled to its satisfaction. —Associated Press.

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## Gold Fever Grips Stock Exchange

Johannesburg, June 4.

South Africa's "Little man" scraped together his savings today to join in the gold fever which gripped the Union's Stock Exchange following yesterday's report of a fabulously rich strike on an Orange Free State farm.

Crowds blocked the Exchange entrance as typists, secretaries, clerks, telephone girls, all tried to get in on South Africa's latest gold boom.

Mining experts' caution over the significance of the find had little effect on the hysterical buying.

Shares of the Free State Gold Areas Company, who hold an option on the farm, trebled in value in 24 hours—the noon quotation being 46 shillings compared with yesterday morning's price of 15/3d.

Within a few hours of the announcement of the find, businessmen and option hunters besieged the village of Hennenman, five miles from the farm, to plead with farmers and other property owners.

Erdfeld Farm is owned by Mr. J. Van Rensburg, a rich, retired farmer. He recently gave an option on the 4,200-acre property for about £220,000.

Exports Cautious  
Mining experts say that the rich strike must be considered in conjunction with earlier borehole results on the property—Erdfeld Farm, near Odendaalsburg.

Rich pockets are sometimes found which do not continue for more than a few inches on either side of the borehole, they point out.

Experts feel, however, that the field may prove very profitable but that it has still to be proved by actual mining.—Reuter.

## KACHIN LEADER A SMUGGLER

Rangoon, June 5.

Duwa Zaw Rip, chairman of the Kachin State Council, was arrested on Friday by excise authorities at Rangoon airport for allegedly smuggling opium, it was officially learned on Saturday.

The arrest was made as Duwa Zaw Rip stepped from the plane arriving from the Kachin State capital of Mingaladon.

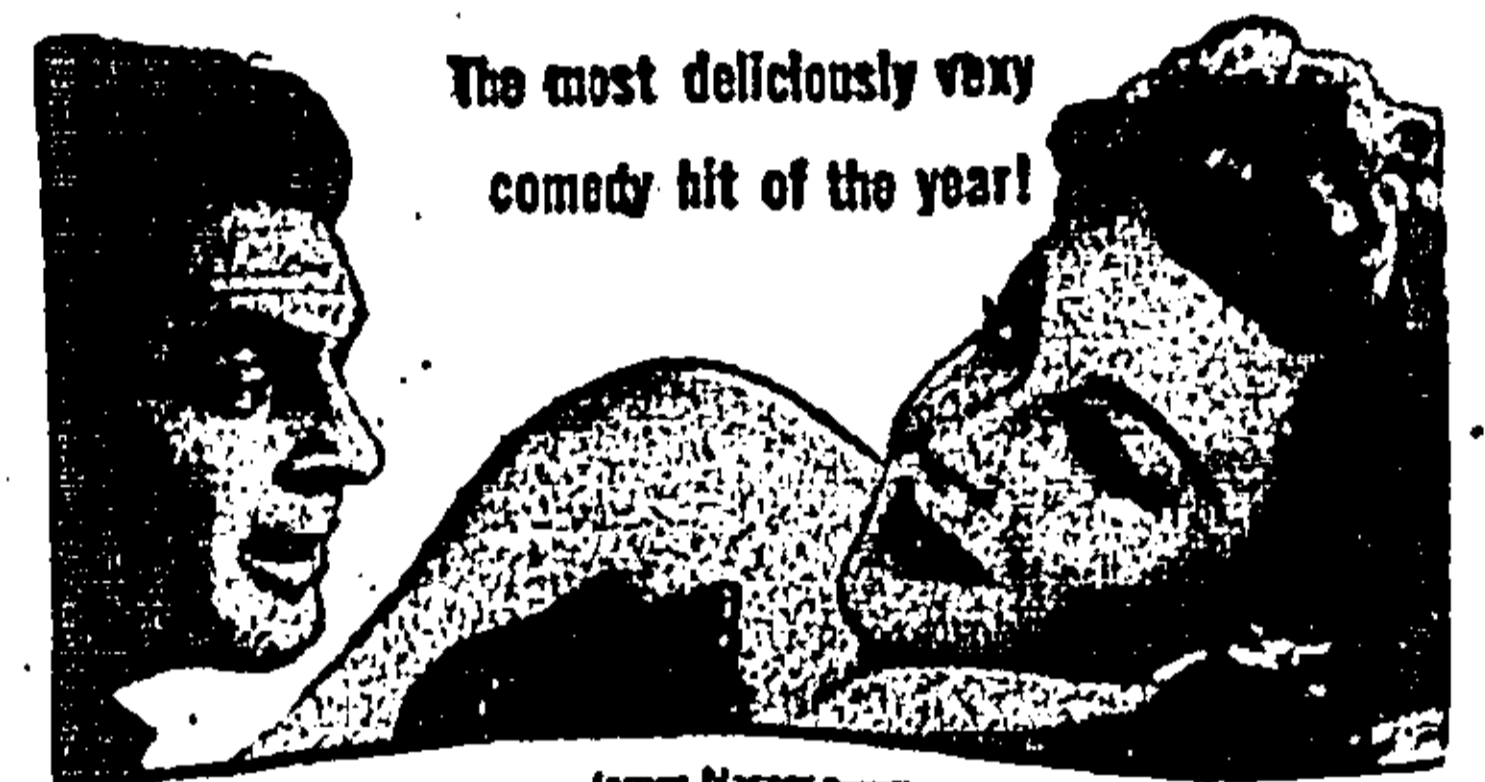
Excise authorities said 10 packets of opium worth 8,000 rupees were found in Rip's luggage. Rip served in the British Intelligence during the war.—Associated Press.

## FIRE VICTIMS

Manila, June 5. The National Red Cross today supplied relief aid to 230 homeless fire victims in Dagupan city, 120 miles North West of Manila.

The fire yesterday gutted 20 buildings in Dagupan's commercial district. Damage is estimated at 700,000 Pesos.—Associated Press.

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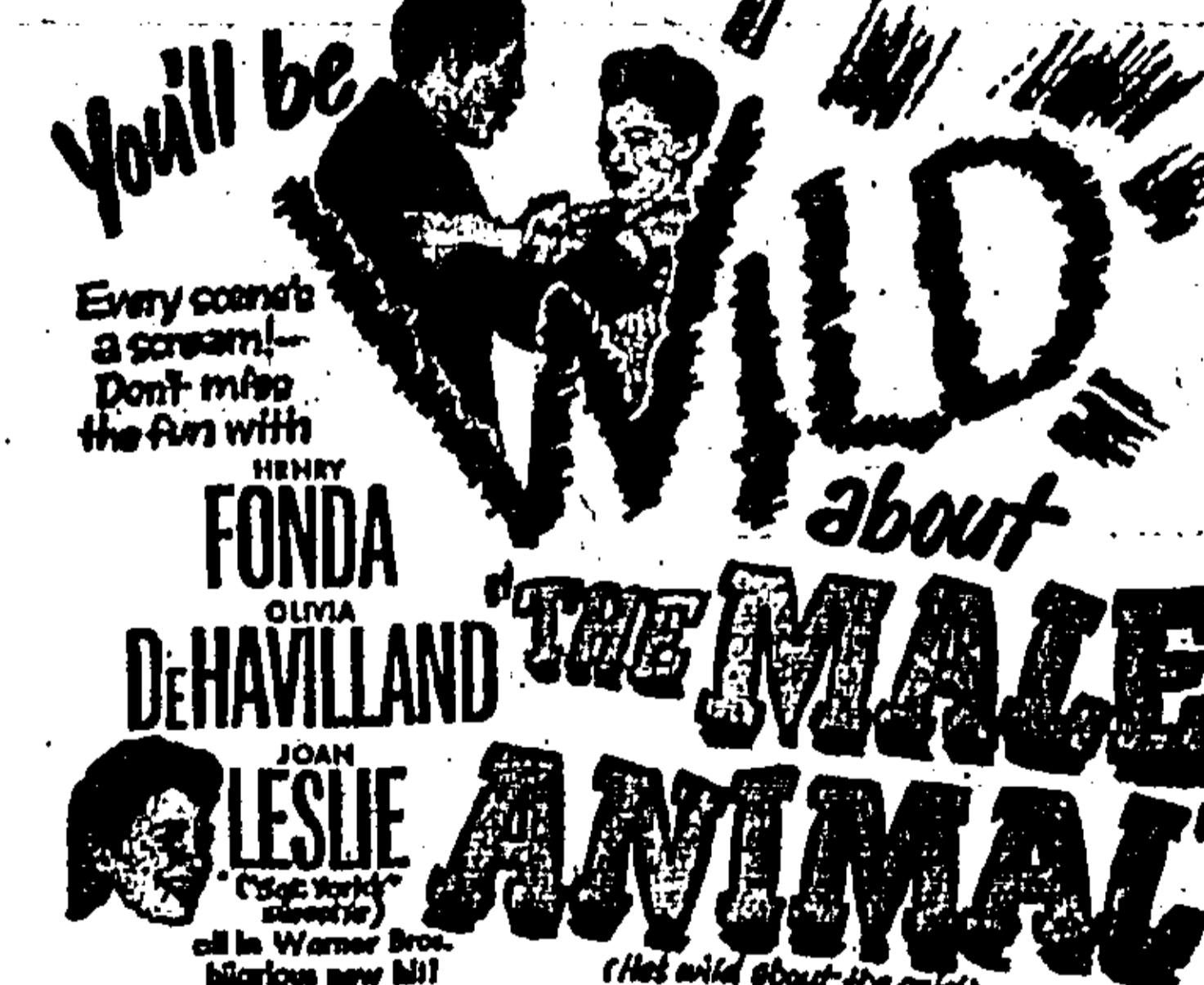
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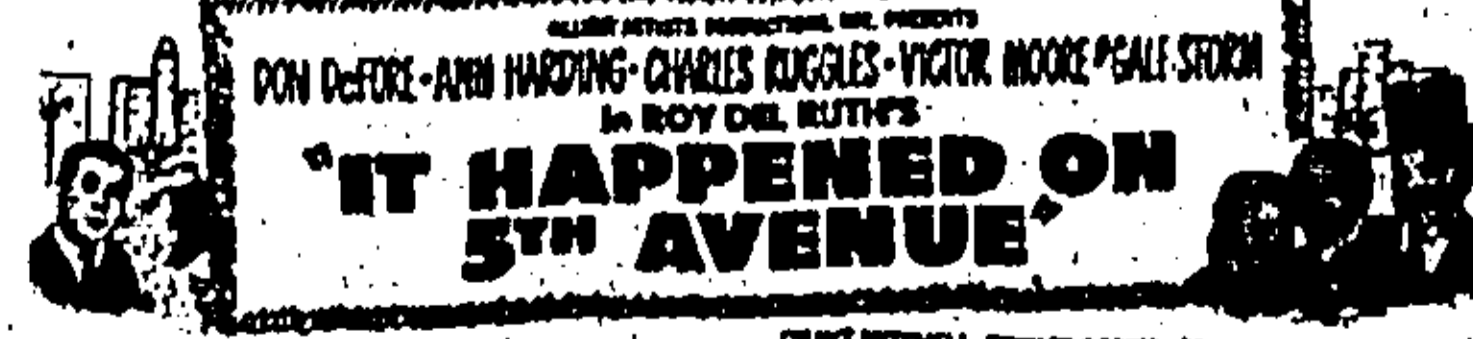
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# Abolition Of Press Freedom

## BY THE VERY REV. DR. NICHOLAS BOER

all demanding the exemption of the Stephaneum from nationalisation; in vain the Bench of Bishops sent its representatives to take part in confidential negotiations about the exemption. The Stephaneum passed into the hands of the State. This was a mortal blow for Catholic theological literature, the publication of text-books and fiction. By nationalising the publishing firms, almost every writer who was not a Hungarian supporter of the Government was exiled from literary life. The Stephaneum printing works came under the chairmanship of a Communist worker; the last possibility of bringing out books with a Catholic ideology was cut away. The National St. Mary Congress, held early in October 1947, which brought together hundreds of thousands from every district of the country, considered the fight for Catholic Press freedom one of its main tasks. After several days' discussion and after two years' delay, the demands were accepted and announced by the Cardinal Primate at the final meeting of October 7, 1947.

"I announce herewith the following resolution of the Catholic parishes of Hungary. Hungarian Catholics demand and approve of the recognition of the Hungarian Catholic University. A second motion, duly passed, refers to the fight of the Hungarian Bench of Bishops for permission to start a non-Catholic daily. This fight has been carried on ever for two years. The Catholic communities demand in the name of the whole of Hungarian Catholicism that the authorities should facilitate the publication of such a daily in the name and interests of serious democracy. We therefore demand that we, the Hungarian Catholics, represent seventy per cent of Hungarian Democracy."

Then the Cardinal put the motion: "Do you accept these motions proposed by the Catholic parishes in our country?" The answer was a resounding "Yes." About a hundred and eighty thousand people—replied with a unanimous, enthusiastic "Yes." But Cardinal Mindszenty's fight for a free Catholic Press was just as unsuccessful as his struggle for the other liberties. The voice of the Church remained a voice in the wilderness, and the totalitarian Communist regime continued the development of complete dictatorship in Hungary.

### Free From Fear

Among the horrors of the second world war had been and hoped that society-tried mankind would truly attain to a life that was free from fear and want—especially because of the flight principles which guided the Allies, among them especially the Anglo-Saxon powers. In those territories where "liberation" was brought about by Russian troops, disillusionment was rapid and complete. Conquest is perhaps the greatest human art, for in its true sense of the word it means the human spirit the willingness to accept and assimilate the will, mental make-up, intentions and ideals of the conqueror. Therefore conquest is impossible by force, by tanks and machine-guns; it is achieved and inspired by a spiritual superiority with brilliant suggestive strength. In the wake of their excellent strategy and victorious arms, the Russian troops brought to Hungary the spirit of fear and want, an equality based on cultural backwardness in misery and terror. The ethos of a nation's history remains unchanged: like the pillar of fire and smoke above the Jews wandering in the desert, it hovers over its history whatever changes there may be in government and form of constitution. Soviet Russia is the spiritual heir to the despotic Tsars, to earlier Tartar and other oriental empires; it has developed fear and misery with the modern technique of the totalitarian system and the practical methods of economic collectivity. I feel that the foregoing pages prove sufficiently that the Hungarian Communist regime, established by the victorious Russian arms, has indeed introduced the reign of fear into the land.

### Historical Mission

A community is turned into a nation by the spiritual ideal which it is willing consciously to serve as an historical mission. A nation survives as long as its social, physical and material existence is as long as it keeps to the road its history has shaped. The responsible, conscientious leaders of a nation have therefore a double task: to ensure social prosperity and social equality, and to cherish in its consciousness the traditions which give it a special colour in the great family of

nations, an individuality which justifies its existence. Under these considerations it seems that the nation is a living organism, consisting of a body and a soul. The soul is the spiritual principle, the consciousness of an historical mission, the national traditions. Happy is the nation which can create a harmony of the two, a balanced service of both aims. We can freely maintain that among the Good Europeans of Hungary, and they are perhaps more numerous than we sometimes think ourselves—there is a deep admiration for Britain because they found that it was the British who succeeded in combining harmoniously the idea of social progress and the service of the social prosperity of the broadest social classes, with the simultaneous, unbroken maintenance of national traditions. In recent times Hungary seems to have gone from one extreme to the other. In the years before the second world war formalistic historical thinking seems to have gained a harmful ascendancy over the privileged ruling classes of the nation; the social and material progress of the broad masses was neglected. The land reform was repeatedly postponed and failed by the Conservative forces. Since the second war, perhaps as a strong reaction, everything has been centred in the "people"; the "People's Democracy" is being built up, the emphasis is on the realization of the social and economic progress, but at the same time, under the slogan of this idea, the whole, thousand-year-old Hungarian history is being re-valued, the holiest traditions of Hungarian history are denied and every attempt is made to make the Hungarian people conscious of their mission, closely linked with Christianity. The suggestive strength of the two expansive, imperialistic and totalitarian powers and their geographical nearness have sharpened the Hungarian mind. Even strong and big nations have not remained untouched by them. And this nation of extremes has had to solve, both before and after the second world war, an almost impossible dilemma. Before the war, in these terms: the friends of the Allies in Hungary were the Conservatives, the Philo-Semites, the believers in national sovereignty and maintenance of historical traditions who were convinced that Hungary was a European nation, prepared even to surrender national sovereignty to some extent in this cause. After the war almost the same dilemma was posed—with regard to Russia. This nation is ill; it has suffered recent apocalyptic years. That is why, between the years 1944 and 1949, it ought to have listened to the voice of its conscience—the voice of Cardinal Mindszenty. This book also desires to be a cry of conscience to the world: to save this European, Christian nation, worthy of a better fate, from being buffeted between the two extremes. It cannot recover as long as it is being infected by the plague on her own soil. The voice of its conscience, it cannot act; it cannot turn it into reality or achieve the balance needed to sustain the nation.

It is in the nature of a conscience to speak, to call to order, to sound the tocsin even if historical cataclysm and mental stupor muzzle it. Yes, Cardinal Mindszenty was the conscience of his nation; in brave, inspiring words, he invoked the lessons of the Hungarian past, pointing out that national life and reconstruction did not deny the success and heroism of Hungarian reconstruction, the great rebirth of factories, bridges, houses, fields; but he felt that the soul of the nation also needed healing. In the pastoral letter he issued at Christmas 1946 he wrote: "The whole Hungarian soul must be cleansed by the flames of prayer, faith and sacrifice." On February 10, 1949, he said in the Church of Eternal Worship:

"We need reconstruction. Only it is to be feared that essential elements are omitted from our rebuilding. To build we need bricks and tiles, mortar and concrete, iron and wood; we need working hands and zeal of labour; besides muscle and bone, we need the engineer's plan and the technician's direction as spiritual elements; but we also need prayer to gain the Supreme Help, Divine Grace. Behind material and energy there works in every human being a still mightier factor, the soul, the spirit. Only a prayerful humanity can build a better world. We have to reconstruct not only the outer world but our inner world as well."

Its foundations have also been shaken; that is why there is so much talk about fundamental human rights. Many things have been smashed to pieces in the recent past, but the Two Stone Tablets have remained undamaged; their contents are written in human nature, they represent our humanity. The Ten Commandments are the corner-stones and basic elements of the work of reconstruction. We would like to include in all rebuilding the heroic enthusiasm of prayer, the reforming, refreshing power it brings."

### Urged Penitence

In his Lent pastoral letter of 1946 he called upon his Hungarian flock to do penitence because only in this way could our sinful people find mercy in the eyes of God, also God would not bless our efforts to rebuild and maintain our country. "When the sin of blood arose in the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah, the Lord was ready to spare them if a sufficient number of righteous men could be found therein. But as He did not find them, destruction came. Today, once again, our fate depends on a large extent on whether we have a sufficient number who by penitence and expiation will contribute to the ending of troubles and the bettering of our country's lot. If we remain indifferent we shall be responsible for the further destruction of our people. After the great defeat of Sedan, penitent France raised a great church in Paris, upon the Hill of Martyrs, in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We poor Hungarians cannot afford to raise a glittering cathedral as an act of expiation; we can, at most, rebuild with the greatest efforts our innumerable ravaged churches, destroyed in the war, to serve also as sanctuaries of atonement. But even until this is achieved, we can turn every church, every family into homes of expiation where, instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the briar shall come up the myrtle tree." (Isaiah, 55, 13.)

### Greatest Teachers

The ideals and mission of a nation are voiced by its past, its history, its cemeteries and the graves of its great men. Cardinal Mindszenty said more than once: "The graveyards of the centuries speak to you as the greatest teachers; their guidance is never wrong. And we know what our beloved dead are saying. We do not want, we cannot live without the teaching of our graveyards. The living may lie to us, but the dead, their warnings lead us unerringly." And if I may sound a subjective note I must confess that if I am in need of the greatest self-control not to follow the Hungarian Cardinal on his journey through the length and breadth of the land, into all the Hungarian cities, where he always invoked the hallowed memories clinging to each district, plucked the Hungarian past, so rich in changes of fortune, stretched far back across a thousand years! Only a poet's words could do justice to these



"Sunday is a wonderful and miraculous day, the jewel of the week. The easy chair spreads wide and welcome arms. Time to read, time to stroke the cat and walk in the garden. Listen, did you hear the grass roots first stirring?"

You mean that low, whining noise?

"HMS Chrysanthemum Leaves." No relation to Popocatepetl.

Landlord to prospective tenant: "I always ask \$750 for this room, and people jump at it."

Prospect: "I'm not surprised. It gave me a bit of a start."

One of our local bastions of society, who has been enjoying a good round average of \$30,000 a month from his interests in various companies, was deeply perturbed when informed at the week-end that he would have to accept \$100 less in his annual dividends from a certain firm.

"This," he said, "is terrible. What about the new car I bought today?"

"Today?" said his managing director friend. "What happened to the car you bought last week?"

"Oh, that," replied the hurt gentleman. "The ash trays are all full."

"Chinese Communists Pro-Soviet." Incredibly!

Blake who recently went to Sydney says, perhaps cynically, that Calveit could get a job with the North-West mounted police any time.

"Mrs.—still manages to write popular music with her 'three little boys on her hands.' Like to see her doing it."

Executive ability: The art of convincing your wife that you engaged your beautiful wife on account of her experience.

"A former Yorkshire miner, Mr. Henry Akers, who left Bradford for London 12 years ago, arrived in Singapore recently." Slow boat to China?

A senator from Indiana contends that Europe has received so much aid that the U.S. should cut \$3,000,000,000 from EXA funds. Europe looks pretty rosy from the banks of the Wabash, far away.

In polite society they say atom bomb, not blast you!

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speeches? We must be content to evoke through the Cardinal's words the meaning of Hungarian history, the Hungarian mission manifest in history, which linked our people to the service and defence of Catholic Christianity. Perhaps it may sound strange and unusual to a non-Hungarian and non-Catholic, but we must say the life and fate of the Hungarian nation is Catholic Christianity.

Thus perhaps we can explain what this nation lives and dies for, why it sacrifices upon the altar of martyrdom its true leader, its clarion conscience. The Catholic faith is different from all other Christian religions in its belief in the Holy Eucharist, in the true presence of Christ within the transubstantiated bread and wine and the worship of the Holy Virgin as God's Mother.

(To Be Continued Tomorrow)



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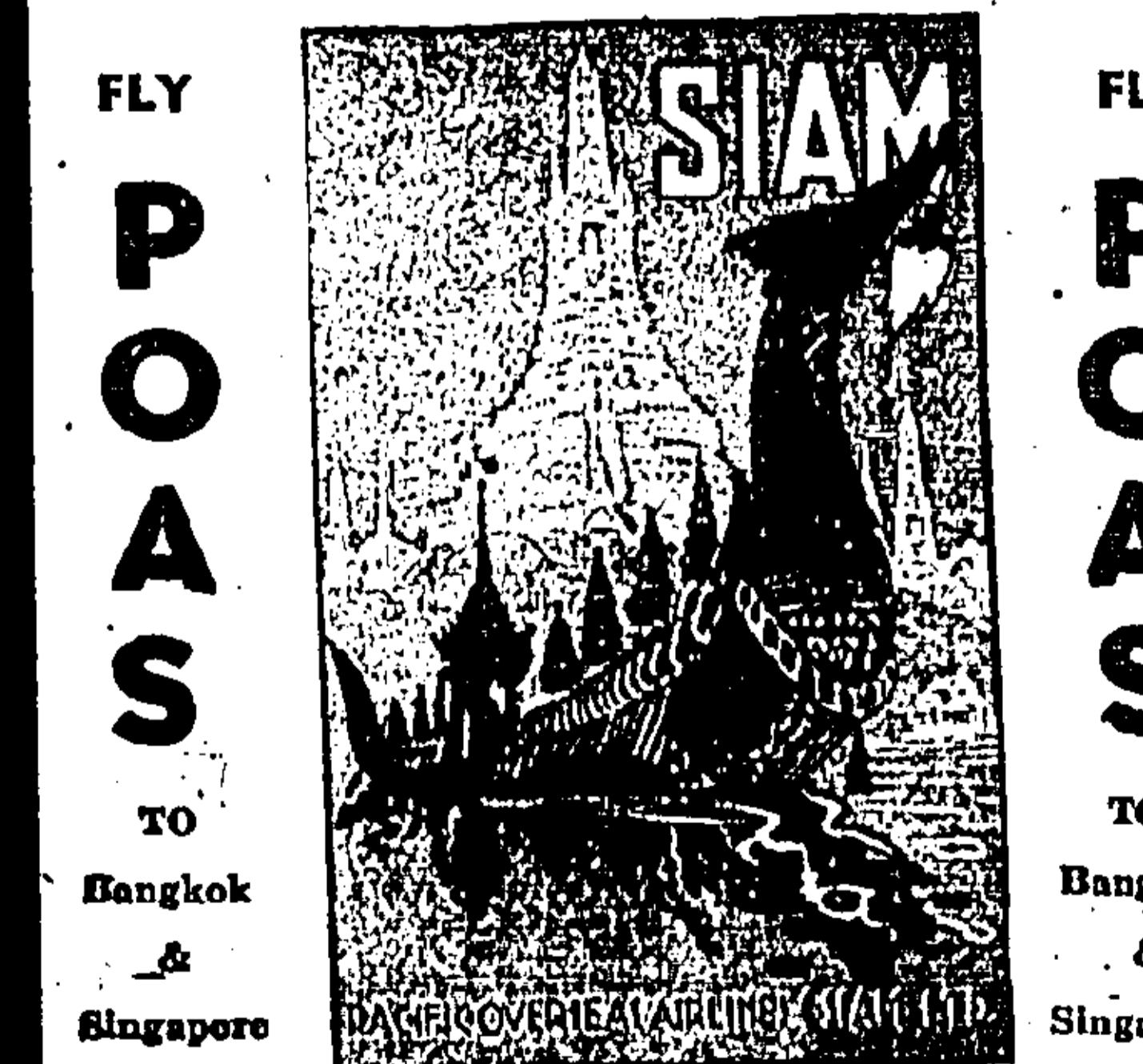
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# STILL NO PROGRESS AT BIG FOUR TALKS

## Secret Session Hears Plans For Berlin

### VETO STILL A SNAG

Paris, June 4.

The second secret session of the four-Power Council of Foreign Ministers ended this afternoon after four hours' discussion of United States and Soviet views on Berlin.

This was their longest meeting since the talks began in the Rose Palace here on May 23.

Mr. John Foster Dulles, foreign affairs advisor of the United States Republican Party, when asked after the meeting whether there had been any progress in decisions, said: "No."

Asked what the reactions of the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky, had been, Mr. Dulles replied: "The same as usual."

## SKY MAN GETS A REBUFF

Paris, June 4.

A pink-checked, Russian aged 49, describing himself as the "first citizen of the sky" tried to join the Big Four Foreign Ministers in the Rose Marble Palace here this afternoon.

He was Kharkov Salkazanov. He was dressed in a brown monkish gown with flowing locks of grey hair and with bare feet in sandals.

He got a polite but firm rebuff from armed police at Palace entrance.

They told him to go to the French Foreign Office.

He had neatly typed 10 letters addressed to the Foreign Ministers.

Each letter began: "Apostle of Astronomy, First Citizen of the Sky, I ask the Foreign Ministers to study world problems in the light of the stars."

"Why squabble here on this tiny planet when inter-planetary affairs require our attention?"

His manifesto added: "Attlee, Auriol, Stalin and Truman should head a world government to defend the interests of all the peoples without distinction of race, religion or frontier."

"This is the only sure way to avoid not only a future war but of realising universal disarmament and saving the astronomical sums spent on our destruction."

## Woman To Be U.S. Treasurer

Washington, June 5.

A vicarious mid-Western woman banker is due to become Treasurer of the United States.

The President, the White House announced, plans to send to the Senate on Monday the name of Mrs. Georgia Neese Clark of Kansas to succeed the late William E. Fuller, killed in a car crash a week ago.

As Treasurer, her signature will appear on all U.S. currency. No other woman has had that distinction. The job—not to be confused with the Cabinet rank Secretary of the Treasury—is essentially a banking job for the Government. The Treasurer's particular concern is the issuance and accounting of all public money.

Another woman, Mrs. Nellie Taylor Rose, once Governor of Wyoming, supervises the nation's coinage as Director of the Mint.

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## THE LOGIC OF SOVIET RUSSIA

Berlin, June 4.  
There are no words in the Russian language for concentration camps, Captain Sergei Tregubov, a member of the Soviet Information Division, declared today during a lecture at the House of Soviet Culture in Berlin.

"Therefore," he reasoned, "there are no concentration camps in the Soviet Union. Of course, people are arrested and detained in Russia, but they are either criminals or traitors."

The title of Captain Tregubov's lecture was "Free in the Soviet Union."—Reuter.

## Portuguese Catholics Report A Miracle

Lisbon, June 4.

Four hundred Portuguese Catholics are said to have witnessed a miracle at Cova da Iria on May 13, it was learned today. They had met to pray to Our Lady of Fatima.

They sang the Ave Maria and one voice rose above all else imploringly: "Lord, grant me my sight. Lord, grant me the power to walk."

The Mass for the sick approached its end when a tall, bronzed man in the uniform of the Portuguese Navy approached the basilica of Fatima. He took a white rose from the altar and looked around the multitude, praying as he did so. He approached a young woman lying on a bed and gave her the rose. She left her bed and, mad with joy, began to walk.

A priest took two testimonials, one from the young woman telling of seven years of suffering, and the other from the seaman, who told a story of a dream. He said that in a dream, Our Lady of Fatima had told him to give a white flower from the altar to a sick person on the day at the moment when the crowd was praying and faith was on them.—United Press.

more detailed proposals than the Acheson plan to submit for discussion in the closed session.

Whether these will be of a type to loosen the knots now holding up the conference largely depends on the Soviet Government's estimate of how badly the West wants a Berlin settlement, observers believe.

Experts of the three Western delegations are meeting tonight to decide what, if anything, has been achieved by the long session, authoritative sources said. The atmosphere at today's talks was not as satisfactory as yesterday, these sources added.—Reuter.

## NEW ATTENDANT FOR PRINCESS

London, June 5.

Princess Elizabeth has a new lady-in-waiting in attractive Lady Henriette Alice Palmer, aged 35, a war widow with two children.

The green-eyed, fair-haired Lady Palmer worked for the Red Cross and the Army Welfare Department during the war.—Associated Press.

## "Police State" In Czechoslovakia

Berlin, June 4.

Dr. Bedrich Bruegel, acting Chief of the Czechoslovak Mission in Berlin, who recently fled to Western Germany, stated in a letter published here today that he did so in protest against Czechoslovakia's trend towards a corrupt police dictatorship.

The letter, written on May 20 to a member of the Czechoslovak Government, declared: "When I was last in Czechoslovakia, old friends and fellow workers came to me in despair with proof that people are constantly being arrested in the Bohemian provinces without a written warrant and kept imprisoned without a hearing and without justification."

"Further evidence was shown to me that the Czech security corps inflicts torture and bodily injuries on all citizens who fall into its clutches."

"I have belonged to the Labour Movement since 1913 and have always fought for its principles."

"My whole past life forbids me to keep silence or even to render aid during the present trend in Czechoslovakia, which is not leading to Socialism but to a corrupt police dictatorship."

Dr. Bruegel, seventh of the 10 original members of the Berlin Mission to escape to the West, complained that the Prague Foreign Ministry had tolerated various Czechoslovak intelligence services in Western Germany. "Their activities were conducted without the knowledge of the responsible heads of the Czechoslovak representative agencies in Germany," he said.—Reuter.

## U.S. Immigration Officers Take Over ss. Batory

New York, June 4.

John Donovan, Assistant U. S. District Attorney, said today that the Government took control of the ss Batory, Polish liner on which Gorhart Eisler fled from this country, when it returned to New York harbour today.

Mr. Donovan said: "I understand that the ship is under Government control."

He said the United States Attorney's Office has no further comment in connection with the action taken by Government officials in boarding the Batory.

However, Edward Shaughnessy, District Director of Immigration, immediately denied that his Department had seized the vessel.

Mr. Shaughnessy said that immigration officials boarded the Batory as they always do for routine checking of passengers' passports.

Mr. Donovan made his statement shortly after a detail of United States Immigration Department. Others held that bluish-green uniforms and wearing side arms and ammunition belts, marched onto Pier 88 where the Batory was due to dock.

They were reinforced by a detail of 10 New York City patrolmen.

Immigration officers marched onto the pier as the Batory entered the harbour several hours late after it was rumoured that the Government might seize her for violation of immigration laws, under which an alien was allowed to escape from the United States.

## Interrogation

The Batory was due to dock at 11 a.m. but was two hours late. There was no explanation of the delay.

Armed immigration officers refused to let anyone disembark. In Washington, the Justice Department indicated that all officers and members of the Batory's crew will be interrogated to determine if any of them aided Eisler in his dramatic getaway on May 6.

Eisler jumped his bail of \$22,000 to make his escape. He was on bail, pending appeals from convictions for contempt of Congress and making false statements on an application warrant.

He was seized when the ship arrived in British waters at the request of the United States but a British court set him free and he left Britain for Czechoslovakia.—United Press and Reuter.

## INQUIRY ON FORCED LABOUR

Geneva, June 4.

The governing body of the International Labour Organisation today decided to hold an immediate inquiry on "forced labour, including allegations of slave workers in the Soviet Union."

Polish and Czechoslovak delegates, only Eastern European representatives on the 16-nation body, did not oppose the decision, taken on the recommendation of Mr. George P. Delaney, American Federation of Labour representative.

The Secretary-General of the Labour Office was instructed to nominate an impartial commission to study the nature and extent of forced labour, including the reasons for which persons are made to perform forced labour and the treatment they are given.—Reuter.

## Gangster Rejects Big Offer

Columbus, Ohio, June 4.

Still fearful of gangland bullets and tactics even behind prison walls, George "Bugs" Moran has turned down more than \$150,000 to tell his life story.

The offer to Moran—one of the few men to battle Al Capone for gang control in Chicago during prohibition and still alive—were disclosed today by Ralph Alvis at Ohio Penitentiary.

Warden Alvis said the "Chicago Tribune" had offered Moran up to \$50,000 for the story of his life. Louella Parsons, Hollywood film columnist, additionally offered \$100,000 for the film rights, Alvis said.

Moran, who missed being moved down in the bloody St. Valentine's Day massacre in the 20's by a few steps, turned down both offers with a terse "No soap," Alvis said. He said Moran told him his life would not be worth "a plugged nickel" if he accepts the offers.

Moran, now 50, is serving a 10 to 25 year sentence for armed robbery in Dayton in 1936. Alvis said he has nothing to do with other prisoners and refuses to talk with newsmen.—United Press.

## ASYLUM GIVEN TO RUSSIAN

Stockholm, June 4.

The 27-year-old Russian air force pilot who flew to Stockholm on May 18 in a Soviet fighter plane, was today granted asylum in Sweden as a political refugee.

The Soviet Embassy had asked for the pilot's extradition as "he has made himself guilty of criminal acts."

The Swedish Foreign Office refused the request by the Soviet Embassy to interview the pilot.

The pilot told the Swedish police that he was tired of the Soviet system. He took off from an aerodrome in White Russia, and did not fear reprisals, as his wife had been sent to Siberia and they have no children.—Reuter.

Vatican City, June 4.

General Mark Clark, former American commander of the Allied forces in Italy, was today received in private audience by the Pope.—Reuter.

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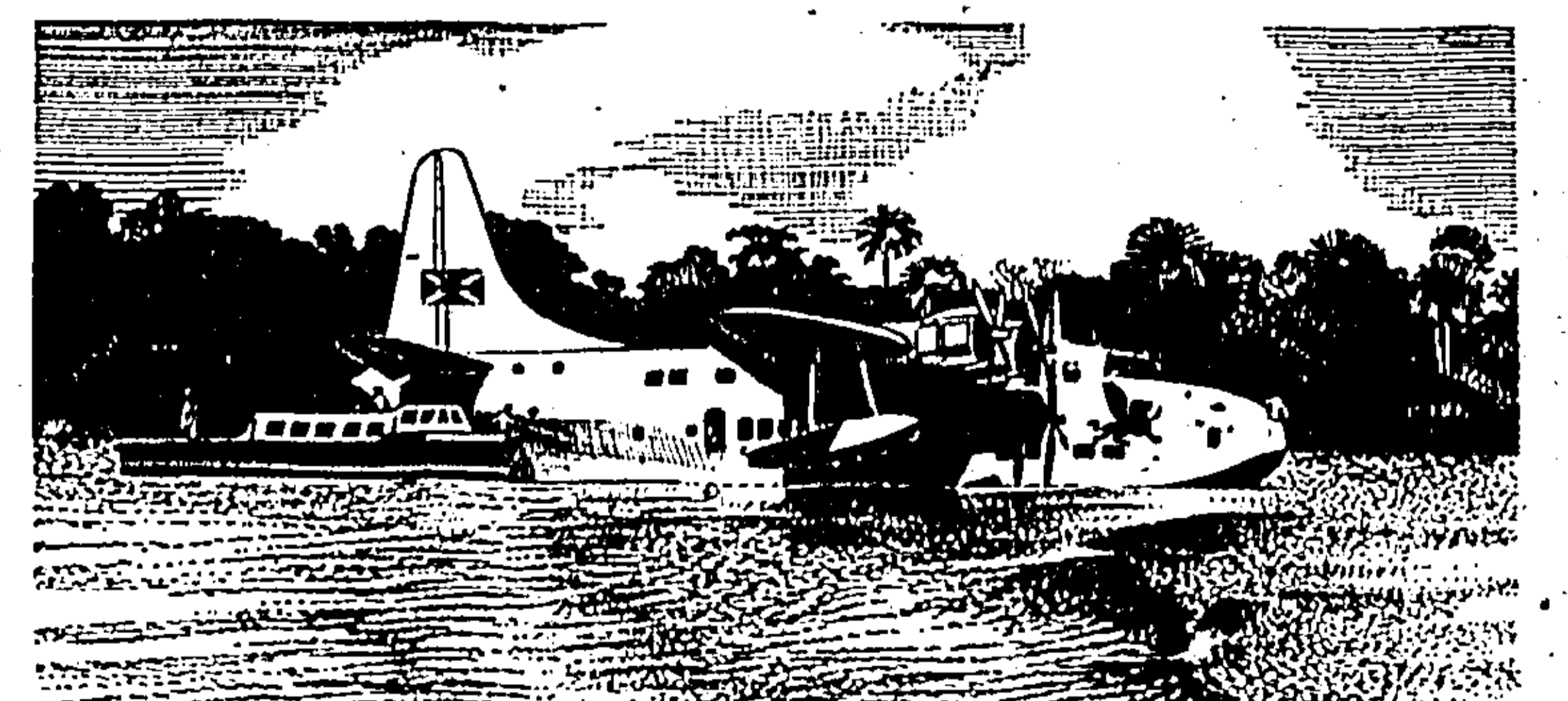
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## VD'S THREAT TO ENTIRE PROVINCE

Simla, India, June 5.  
Venereal disease threatens to extinguish 1,000,000  
people living in the newly-created North In-  
dian province of Himachal Pradesh.  
The Central Government, alarmed by the prospect,  
has invited Dr. C. Cutler of Cleveland, Ohio,  
VD expert in the World Health Organisation,  
to visit the area and recommend remedial  
measures.

Himachal Pradesh means  
Himalayan Country. Its elevation  
ranges from 1,000 to 24,000 feet  
above sea level. It was formed  
on April 18, 1948, by a merger of  
21 Princeloms of the Himalayan  
Hills to the North and East of  
Simla.

It has an area of 10,000 square  
miles and a population of more  
than 1,000,000, governed by a  
Chief Commissioner, directly  
responsible to the Government of  
India. The Princes have been  
penalised.

A spokesman of the Chief  
Commissioner's Office here said  
the disease has been prevalent  
for generations and almost all  
the people in this territory suffer  
from it in varying degrees. He  
added that nearly a half of the  
300,000 families in the province  
have no children because of  
sterility caused by the disease.  
Even among the rest, it is only a  
handful who have two children  
and more.

Village after village, he said,  
is being depopulated, which in  
turn is shattering the economy of  
the province.

The ideal climate of the pro-  
vince has saved the population  
from some of the worst aspects  
of the infection. In the plains,  
he said, such widespread in-  
cidence would have left the de-  
bilitated population prone to lep-  
rosy and other such diseases.

### Taken For Granted

Extreme poverty, malnutri-  
tion and ignorance have been  
aggravations, and VD has been  
so widely prevalent for so  
many generations that the  
people have almost taken it  
for granted as part of their  
existence.

Officials claim this was an im-  
ported disease, acquired by con-  
tact with the people of the plains  
and spread among some of the  
races in the Himalayan sub-  
regions ranging from Kashmir in  
the North to the Assam hills in  
the East some centuries back.

Officials cite the case of Ash-  
mukham—which means Place of  
Luxury—in Kashmir where the  
Muslim invaders from across the  
Himalayas used to halt before  
proceeding to the plains.

The people there are among  
the handsomest in India, com-  
bining some of the best physical  
characteristics of the local Hin-  
dus and the invading Central  
Asian Muslims. But nearly all  
of them are infected with venereal  
disease.

The disease also has been due  
to sexual promiscuity among the  
people. In some areas in the past  
the scarcity of women led to  
polyandry.

### Mobile Clinics

In some market areas, girls  
were auctioned to the highest  
bidder and shared by the entire  
family. These habits have died  
down but not before some of  
their worst effects had taken  
root.

The division of the area be-  
tween 21 petty princes also made  
it difficult to tackle the problem  
on a big scale. The inaccessibility  
of some villages also has been  
a handicap. For example, Mandi,  
60 miles as the crow flies to the  
North of Simla, is 600 miles by  
road and a letter takes three  
days to reach the place. It takes

15 days for a letter from Simla  
to reach Shipki, less than 150  
miles in a direct line to the East.  
There is not a single aerodrome  
in the entire province, including  
Simla.

The Government of the new  
Himachal Pradesh has estab-  
lished a central VD laboratory  
clinic in Simla and this is to  
have branches in the 46 hospitals  
and dispensaries in the four dis-  
tricts of the province. Mobile  
clinics on mule back are being  
sent to adjacent villages.—Asso-  
ciated Press.

## Bolivian Trouble Settled

La Paz, June 4.  
The Bolivian tin miners' strike  
committee today approved  
a nine-point agreement with  
the Government providing for  
the end of the week-old strike  
and for the permanent recogni-  
tion of trade union rights.

The Government is preparing  
the immediate withdrawal of  
troops from the mining area,  
where about 150 people were  
killed last week in rioting by  
miners at Catavina.

Factory, railway and other  
workers came out in sympathy  
with the miners, making the sit-  
uation throughout the country  
tense.

Today's agreement followed an  
improvement in the situation yester-  
day, when the Prefect of the  
Department of La Paz, Senor Es-  
trada, said the miners had  
agreed to return to work after  
the Government had pro-  
mised to withdraw troops and pay  
indemnities to the families of the  
dead miner.

In the Patino Mine at Huancini,  
about 80 per cent of the miners  
returned to work today.—Reuter.

## ISRAELI OFFER ON REFUGEES

Lake Success, June 4.  
Israel has made two offers to  
take over the problems of 230,-  
000 displaced Arabs, the largest  
concentration of refugees on  
the borders of Palestine, in ex-  
change for 150 square miles of  
coastal land.

Informed diplomatic sources  
said the Israeli-Government sub-  
mitted to the United Nations  
Palestine Conciliation Com-  
mission a plan to allow refugees to  
live on Israeli territory if Egypt  
would surrender to the Tel Aviv  
Government a six-by-25 mile  
strip of land including the bor-  
der city of Gaza.

The offer was first made at  
the peace conference in Lausanne,  
and was reviewed a few days ago  
after more than a week elapsed  
without any action on the pro-  
posal. Some sources think the  
Egyptians might have rejected  
the proposal because of a desire  
to maintain political unity with  
other Arab states.—United Press.

## Tragedy On South Coast

Weymouth, June 4.  
Mrs. Margaret Davidson,  
whose 73-foot ketch Reliance  
was found wrecked near here  
today on its way to Canada,  
climbed up the cliff to  
safely near Portland Bill  
Lighthouse tonight.  
She said that her husband,  
Frank Davidson, was lost at  
sea.

Mrs. Davidson is being  
cared for by Coast Guards.  
The Ketch left Fleetwood,  
Lancashire, on May 17, to  
find a "paradise isle" with  
Canada the first stop.  
It was found today on rocks  
near Portland Bill, West of  
Weymouth.—Reuter.

## NYLON SUITS FOR MEN

New York, June 5.  
The Burlington Mills (Com-  
pany is working with new  
synthetic fibres in fabrics for  
men's suits, including nylon,  
Orlon and celcos.

Joseph A. Golden, company  
official, said: "The use of nylon  
in the men's wear field is still  
in the development stage but the  
company hopes to have fabrics  
characterized by tensile strength  
present-day fabrics appear like  
tissue paper."

"Slacks and suits made of nylon  
will have a crease that will last  
virtually for the life of the gar-  
ment," he said.—Associated Press.

## Discussions On Free Channels Of Trading

Paris, June 4.  
The Consultative Council of the Organisation for  
European Economic Co-operation failed to  
draw up a new intra-European payments  
agreement for the second year of Marshall  
aid in a two-day meeting which ended here  
tonight.

A communique issued later said: "The Consultative  
group which has been meeting in Paris with  
the United States' special representative in  
Europe during the last two days has been  
considering the question of the freeing of  
channels of trade between the participating  
countries (of the Marshall Plan)."

"It has arrived at certain con-  
clusions. These conclusions dealt with  
the liberalising of intra-European  
trade, which will, in its (the  
Council's) opinion bear important  
results in re-invigorating trade."

"They have recommended to  
the Chairman to submit all the  
proposals upon which they have  
agreed to the other participating  
countries for their consideration  
and with a view to their going  
before the Council meeting at  
ministerial level for decision be-  
fore the end of June."

"As a result of these proposals  
it has been necessary to reconsider  
the question of the intra-Euro-  
pean payments scheme, and the  
Consultative group has asked the  
Chairman to lay before the Pay-  
ments Committee certain sugges-

tions, with a view to their work-  
ing out a suitable scheme which,  
it is hoped, will be ready to be  
submitted to the Council in a  
short time.

"If necessary to finalise such an  
agreement, it was arranged that  
the Chairman should recall the  
Consultative group before the end  
of the month," the communique  
concluded.

The meeting was intended to  
bring further together the di-  
vergent views on how most  
effectively to free and develop  
the flow of goods and capital  
in Western Europe.

The British view, supported by  
the Scandinavian countries, fav-  
oured a continuance of the bilat-  
eral method of trade exchanges  
in operation during the first Mar-  
shall Plan year, ending this  
month. Others held that bilat-

## JAPANESE AT MRA MEET

Caux-sur-Montreux, June 5.  
A Japanese delegation head-  
ed by an ex-Premier, Tetsu  
Katayama, is among the 400  
delegates attending the World  
Assembly of Moral Re-arm-  
ament here.

Sessions for the movement  
founded 11 years ago, opened on  
Saturday.

Dr. Frank N.D. Buchman, said  
that movement which he founded  
is a force adequate to remake the  
world. He said: "All we need is  
the millions who say 'Yes, I  
will'."—Associated Press.

alism must give way to multilat-  
eralism as a first step towards  
full freedom of trade followed by  
monetary convertibility.

The United States, through its  
powerful Economic Co-operation  
Administration, is also known to  
favour this trend.

Mr. Averell Harriman, Marshall  
Plan "Roving Ambassador," who  
attended the OEEC talks, said to-  
night: "I am very pleased about  
the agreement because it repre-  
sents an important step forward  
towards liberalising European  
trade."

He declined to comment on the  
failure to reach a new intra-  
European payments agreement.—  
Reuter.

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POLISHES THE FIRE IRONS!  
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ALL OVER THE  
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**MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN**  
By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

PEOPLE OF THE  
JUNGLE  
QUEEN EBONY  
IS A FAKE--

AS MANDRAKE  
BROADCASTS  
FROM QUEEN  
EBONY'S DAI--

SHE'S  
ONLY A  
DOLL  
MADE OF  
WOOD--

HIS VOICE BOOMS FROM A HUN-  
DRED LOUD-SPEAKERS CONCEALED  
IN THE WOODS AND FIELDS--

SHE CAN NO LONGER  
HURT YOU--

SOME OF YOU  
KNOW WHAT  
A RADIO IS--  
THAT'S HOW  
I'M SPEAKING  
TO YOU--  
THAT'S HOW SHE  
SPOKE TO YOU--

**RIP KIRBY**  
By ALEX RAYMOND

NICE PASSAGE,  
MR. BEAUMONT!  
THE WEATHER'S  
BEEN FINE  
HERE.

IT IS LOVELY, ISN'T  
IT? THE FLIGHT  
WAS LOVELY, TOO.  
I ENJOYED  
IT--

CAN'T SAY I ENJOYED  
MINE-- IT WAS A BIT  
BUMPY--

WHAT THEY THOUGHT!  
SEEMS LIKE A NICE BOY--  
BUT A LITTLE ON THE  
SULKY SIDE, I'M AFRAID  
HE DOESN'T LIKE ME.

"OH, DEAR! THEY'RE  
GLARING LIKE TIGERS!  
I HOPE THEY DON'T  
FIGHT!"

"WHO IS THIS STUFFED  
SHIRT? FOR TWO BITS  
I'D THROW HIM OUT OF  
HIS OWN CASK!"

**JOHNNY HAZARD**  
By FRANK ROBBINS

LET'S  
MULL!  
AM GEE! HE  
MUST'VE GOT  
THE TIGER!

"LO, JACKIE... 'LO MIST'  
HAZARD! YEGGS, MULLIK  
MAKES DEAD TIGERS! HE  
THINK MOUNTAIN BAD FOR  
YOU ALONE... HE COMES TOO!"

LUCKY YOU DECIDED  
TO TAG ALONG! I HATE  
TO THINK OF US ENDING  
UP AS A TIBETAN TABBYS  
TROPHY!

GEE, JOHNNY...  
THINK WE COULD  
CART HIM BACK?  
HE'D MAKE A  
GWEEL TROPHY!

OKAY BY ME / BUT  
MULLIK IS THE EXPERT  
ON THIS KIND OF  
CARGO TRANSPORT--

HOKAY... HE  
MAKES NICE  
RUGS TO BE  
SNUG LIKE  
BUG IN!

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MR. DABBLER, BUT I  
SUPPOSE I OUGHT TO BE  
ANGRY WITH YOU FOR  
TRESPASSING!

ONE MOMENT--  
DON'T MOVE!

I'VE SEEN YOU BEFORE,  
YOU KNOW, BUT I DIDN'T  
HAVE TIME TO  
NOTICE WHAT AN  
ADORABLE ARTIST'S  
MODEL YOU'D  
MAKE--

SEET-- IT DOESN'T  
YOU JUSTICE, OF COURSE  
BUT I SHOULD LIKE  
TO TRY AGAIN SOM-  
ETIME!

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"TSINAN"	Swatow	5 p.m. 12th June
"SHENGKING"	Shanghai	5 p.m. 13th June

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"FAKHAI"	Tientsin	10/11th June

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## FINANCE AND COMMERCE

# RUBBER PRODUCTION COSTS: A WARNING

Johore Bahru, June 5.

Rubber planters have been warned by one of their leaders that they must consider reducing costs of production if they hope to meet competition from synthetic rubber.

J. C. Mathison, chairman of the Johore Planters' Association, told members of the organisation that for the immediate future he can see nothing for the planters to assume but that rubber will be sold at somewhere between 30 and 35 cents a pound.

## WOOL MARKET REVIEW

Boston, June 5.

Wool demand from consumers dragged along this week without definite change from recent routine. A better situation in buying of the woolen mill division, was apparently maintained, but was counteracted by a lack of appreciable business from the worsted mills.

Conditions are indefinite and somewhat puzzling, according to the Commercial Bulletin, as to values of worsted types. The paper says:

"Buyers and sellers here have no real basis upon which to trade, especially as dealers find growers for the most part still averse to adjusting their ideas of price for the winter contracting level."

"Some spot business has been passing here in fine wools the past few weeks. This is at prices definitely lower than was last quoted. The market remains nominal to a great extent, but on the basis of actual though limited trading we have reduced most quotations in fine and half blood grades, especially on the lower end of our ranges."

"Our highest figures are no more than consistent with what growers continue to demand. These are well above what mills would pay here today."

"However, dealers still see prospects of a squeeze before autumn and they are not accepting at the figures which mill buyers offer while they are not pressed for supplies."

"Buyers are around and making inquiry on stocks available, at the same time engaging tentatively in dickering with dealers on prices. Pending final need to buy, however, mills and dealers appear to have been sparing without approaching any definite results."

—Associated Press.

## CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago, June 5.  
July wheat led grains moderately higher yesterday. Wheat closed 1/4 to 3/4 higher.  
July ..... \$1.88 1/2-3/4  
September ..... \$1.89 1/2-3/4  
December ..... \$1.91 3/4-1/2  
March ..... \$1.88 1/2  
Corn was unchanged to 1/4 higher.  
July ..... \$1.29 3/4-1/2  
Oats were 1/4 to 3/4 higher.  
July ..... \$57 1/2  
Soybeans were 1/4 lower to 3/4 higher.  
July ..... \$2.17 1/2-3/4  
—Associated Press.

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## Devaluation Of Sterling Again Denied

Copenhagen, June 4.  
Mr. Glenvil Hall, Financial Secretary to the British Treasury, today denied reports current here that Britain is considering devaluing sterling. "We do not even talk about it—only the Americans do," he said.

Mr. Hall is one of the British Parliamentary delegates attending tomorrow's centenary celebrations of the Danish constitution.—Reuter.

## RADIO

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H.K.T.

8.00 a.m.—World and Home News from Britain. (London Relay).

8.15 a.m.—Programme Summary.

8.16 a.m.—"Morning Melody" Favourites from Stage and Screen.

9.00 a.m.—Old Time Dance Orchestra.

9.15 a.m.—The Jazz Octet.

9.30 p.m.—"Sweet Nocturne" Peter York and His Concert Orchestra with Paula Green and Steve Conway. (HICTS)

10.15 a.m.—Xavier Cugat and His Orchestra.

10.30 a.m.—Light Opera Company.

11.00 a.m.—Popular Classics. A Programme of Continuous Music.

12.00 p.m.—"Hong Kong Calling" Daily Programme Summary.

12.32 p.m.—Fantasia on Melodies of Johann Strauss, Jr., Marek Walter and His Orchestra.

1.00 p.m.—Inf. Lorraine at the Plane. (Studio)

1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.20 p.m.—"Hear the Bird" By A. J. Herbert and Vivian Ellis, with George Gietery, Libeth Webb, Helen Hester, Anne Wynn, Betty Paul, Eric Fort and Full company from C.B. Cochrane's London Production. (BDCTS)

2.30 p.m.—"Musical Sweethearts" Song by Nina Crosby.

2.45 p.m.—The Concert Hour.

3.45 p.m.—Harry Hordley and His Orchestra.

4.00 p.m.—World News and Home News from Britain. (London Relay)

4.15 p.m.—Music by the Guards.

4.30 p.m.—"Where do we go from Here" A Mystery Play by Dorothy L. Sayers. (HICTS)

5.00 p.m.—Recent Releases.

5.30 p.m.—"Grand Hotel" Albert Sandor and the Palm Court Orchestra with Philip Hatter. (Baritone) (HICTS)

6.00 p.m.—"Hong Kong Calling" Programme Summary.

6.01 p.m.—"It's So Simple."

6.30 p.m.—"London Studio Melodies" A Programme of Continuous Music by the Maestros with John Cooke (Solo Harp). (BDCTS)

7.00 p.m.—Hospital Request Half Hour Presented by Joan Austen. (Studio)

7.30 p.m.—Portuguese Half Hour. (Studio)

9.00 p.m.—World News and News Analysis. (London Relay)

8.15 p.m.—Linda Carter Talks on Films. (Studio)

8.30 p.m.—"I Like What I Like" presented by Mike Dewey. (Studio)

9.00 p.m.—"From the Editorials". (London Relay)

9.10 p.m.—"Concerto".... Concerto No. 3 in D Minor for Piano and Orchestra, Op. 30 (Bachmann) Cyril Smith (Piano) and "The City of Birmingham Orchestra."

10.00 p.m.—"Let Justice be done" An Action for Slender.... "The Doer's Case." (BDCTS)

11.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel. (London Relay)

11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Summary of News from China.

11.30 p.m.—Close Down.

## BRAZIL'S TRADE WITH JAPANESE

Rio de Janeiro, June 5.

The Brazilian Foreign Ministry announced that it has signed an accord, establishing a dollar account to handle Japanese exports, current transactions between Brazil and Japan, payment of commercial obligations and opening of credits for importation of Brazilian goods by Japan.

The Foreign Ministry said the accord was signed by the Bank of Brazil and Frank Pickelle, head of the Foreign Trade Division of General Douglas MacArthur's Command.

Mr. Pickelle heads a trade mission now visiting South America.—Associated Press.

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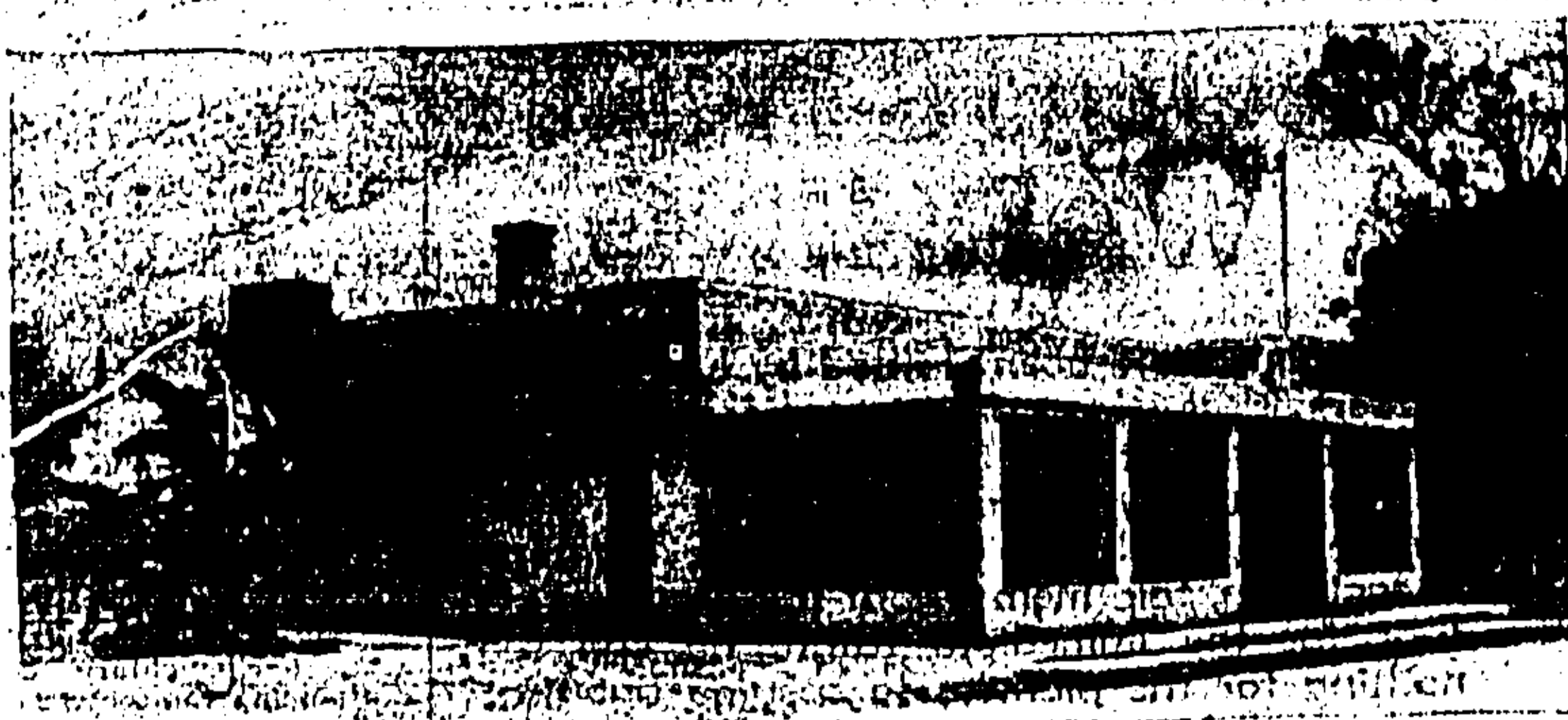
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The Merchant Navy Sports Ground, Chatham Road, Kowloon, (above), has solved one major problem of visiting seamen—recreation and facilities. Features of the Club house include a spacious lounge with a bar, a reading room, a large hall for indoor sports or dance floor, a wide porch and dressing rooms. Behind the Club house is a newly touched-up pavilion. In between these two buildings, is an open space, which when treated will provide either a lawn bowl green or tennis courts. In front of the Club house is the football field. Quarters are provided for the staff in the Club house itself.

The first group of seamen to utilise the ground came from the ss. Clyonsup and Tre-

wellard who played a friendly soccer game in October last year. Since then the ground has been frequently used by visiting ships' personnel. Contact can be made with the Club house by telephone 5688. A meeting and luncheon of the Port Welfare Committee, which has successfully rehabilitated the Club premises, will be held at the Sports Ground on Wednesday at 1 p.m. A launch will be at Queen's Pier at 12.50 p.m. to take guests. ("China Mail" Photo).

## Harbour Traffic At Regular Level

The Colony's port traffic has maintained a steady level since the beginning of this year, with only slight monthly differences between the arrival and departure of ships, passengers and cargoes.

Up-to-date statistics, issued by the Marine Department, ending May 31, revealed that only 1,269 more people left than arrived and 51 more vessels called than sailed since January.

Of the total, 3,072 ocean-going and river vessels that arrived here, 1,260 were British while 1,182 flew the Chinese flag. Half of the arrivals were ocean-going craft.

May figures, however, were marked by considerable increases in passengers and cargoes. 607 ships arrived here with 87,011 passengers and 311,154 deadweight tons of cargoes. There were 12,037 more people arriving here than those leaving. Compared with April arrivals, this month saw 16,739 more visitors.

In the way of cargo the Colony absorbed 200,270 deadweight tons more than those shipped away. British shipping movements dropped from the April peak of 284 arrivals and 289 departures, and only 240 reached port and 221 cleared last month. Of the total British May departures, which aggregate 335,064 N.R. tons, 93 were ocean-going vessels (220,453 N.R. tons). This showed that 19 more ships arrived here. Passenger statistics disclosed that only 459 more people left by these ships—47,584 left last month of which 21,103 were bound for Canton, Mincun, Kowloon and other river towns. The departures also included 2,380 emigrants.

Twenty entered local water, without passengers or cargo while 23 cleared likewise. The Chinese arrivals brought 50,836 tons of cargo, an increase of 32,436 tons compared with those taken out. Of this, 52,611 tons were off-loaded from ocean-going vessels.

Ships flying the American flag are arriving here at a steady monthly rate, averaging 30 craft a month since January. Last month, however, saw the highest number of American vessels calling here since the beginning of 1949, showing an increase of 10.

This group represented the larger type of craft calling here. Among them they brought 10,408 tons of cargo and 2,026 in May. The number of visitors shows an increase of 374 over those leaving while the Colony was richer by 42,091 tons in cargo.

Thirty-seven Norwegian vessels entered port with 47,097 tons of goods and 33 cleared with 27,897 tons. Less people left by these ships, 5,601, disembarked, against 2,202, including 1,023 emigrants, who left.

Other arrivals/departures included:—  
Burmese—one/one ship; 111/1,000 dw. ton cargo;  
Danish—12/nine ships; 5,203/3,025 dw. ton cargo; 2,082/1,223 passengers.

French—three/three ships; 1,747/713 dw. ton cargo; 40/39 passengers.  
Dutch—18/22 ships; 7,121/14,057 dw. ton cargo; 6,233/5,700 passengers.  
Greek—one/two ships.  
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## WHO'S WHO

Captain Jean Hunneyer, master of the French freighter *Lieutenant de Latour* which arrived here for the first time during the week, is one of the honoured Frenchmen who hold a string of decorations awarded by three Governments.

"Hong Kong has improved very much since I was here in 1939. It looks more modernised," said the veteran skipper, holder of the CBE, Croix de Guerre, "Kim Kahi" (given by the former Empress of Annam) and several World War II "Stars".

As any other Frenchman, Captain Hunneyer received his training in the French Navy after finishing his secondary education.

"I served three years with the Navy and at the same time studied for a second mate's ticket," the 48-year-old skipper recalls.

After "graduating" he joined *Marcelles* in 1925. "Since then I have been with the company."

His first "MM" ship was the *Lieutenant de Latour*.

The last war caught him at Port Said, where he served aboard the *ss. President Doumer* in 1940 as chief officer. The vessel was converted into a troopship, transporting Allied soldiers to and from Africa.

Two months after he left her the *President Doumer* was sunk by enemy fire. He was aboard her for two years.

Captain Hunneyer then joined the freighter *Capo Olmo*, and was while serving on her that he gained the CBE and Legion d'Honneur.

The freighter was torpedoed off Trinidad by German submarine.

Captain J. Hunneyer, CBE, Croix de Guerre, Legion d'Honneur.

and sustained damage in her No 2 hold.

"Water was pouring in rapidly through a six by 20 metre hole and soon the forecastle dipped in big water," he related.

There were a dozen Allied soldiers on board.

The engines were intact, and by skilled navigation and continuing pumping, Captain Hunneyer successfully brought the *Capo Olmo* to the Port of Spain 60 miles off in 13 hours.

On reaching safe waters, the freighter ran aground, but not before everyone aboard was safely landed.

For that navigation feat, the British Ministry of Transport, which was then supervising the operations of French ships, awarded the skipper the CBE, while the French Government added the Legion d'Honneur to it.

The *Capo Olmo* was repaired at Baltimore and renamed the *Kopra* and is now serving with the French Navy.

Once when he was working aboard the *President Doumer* he was given an Annamite decoration by the former Empress, who was a passenger.

The "Kim Kahn" has been one of Captain Hunneyer's treasures. "I am going to retire after two years' more of sailing. No more work for me. I'm going to relax in my home town at Bologna-par-Mer," he stated.

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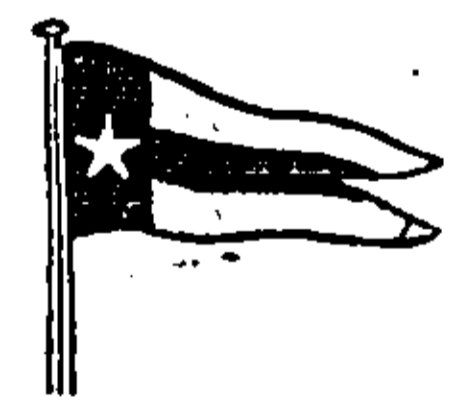
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## POST OFFICE

## MAIL NOTICE

On Monday, June 6, 1949, the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. The other Branch Post Offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. There will be one delivery of Registered and Ordinary Correspondence and one collection only from pillar boxes at 10 a.m. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

## Outward Mails

AIR MAIL TO UNITED KINGDOM  
It is hereby notified that commencing from Monday, June 6, 1949 and until further notice, the outward Air Mail to United Kingdom will be closed on Monday and Thursday: CPO Kowloon 4.30 p.m. and CPO Hong Kong 5 p.m. (the latter mail half an hour earlier). (Mails close at 10 a.m.)

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A. Air Mail to United Kingdom per H.M. Aircraft will be closed as follows:  
CPO (Parrels) 5 p.m. (Sun) 4 p.m.  
9 a.m. June 9, (Ord.) 9.30 a.m. June 9.

## Kowloon CPO: (Parrels) 5 p.m. June 8, (Ord.) 4.30 p.m. June 8.

## This mail is expected to arrive at London on or about July 12, 1949.

## AIR MAIL TO SINGAPORE

Compensation from Monday, June 6, 1949 and until further notice, the outward Air Mail to Singapore will be closed as follows:  
Monday and Thursday:  
CPO Hong Kong (Parrels) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 4 p.m.  
CPO Kowloon (Parrels) 4 p.m. (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.

## Sundays

CPO Hong Kong (Parrels) 6 p.m. (Saturday) (Ord.) 10 a.m. (Sunday)  
CPO Kowloon (Parrels) 5.30 p.m. (Saturday) (Ord.) 10 a.m. (Sunday)

## It is hereby notified that mails to Singapore, Malaya, Ceylon, India, Java, Sumatra, and other ports in the East will be closed at 10 a.m. on the previous day.

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## Shipping Arrivals

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## Shipping Departures

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